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LANCHOW CAPTURED BY REDS

Garrison Overwhelmed By Numerical Superiority

THREAT TO SZECHUEN

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, August 27.

Throwing in all available reinforcements, General Pang Teh-huai's Communist armies stormed and captured Lanchow, provincial capital of Kansu, last night.

A private radiogram from Lanchow stated that the attacks of the first three days were unsuccessful and costly to the Reds who called up four more armies and overwhelmed the defence by sheer weight of numerical superiority. The defenders were harassed by the lack of ammunition.

The fall of Lanchow was apparently anticipated by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who is now in Chungking to map out the defence of South West China. Military intelligence calculated that with the fall of Lanchow and Sian the Reds are in virtual control of the North West and now can turn their attention to Szechuen.

General Hu Chung-nan commanding about 120,000 well equipped Nationalist troops is on guard at Nantseng, his headquarters in South Shensi, and at Nankang to the East. There are two gateways to Szechuen which General Hu's troops must defend or retire to Szechuen to strengthen its garrison.

Historians here recalled that invasions of Szechuen always came from the North West, although some Red troops in Western Hupeh took Santoupingon the Yangtse near the Szechuen border for the third time and gave the impression of forcing through the three dangerous gorges leading to Chungking—a feat which the Japanese troops failed to do.

Reds Count On Dissention

A report filtered through from Hankow said the Reds counted on the dissention among the Szechuen generals and the despondency of General Chang Chun, Director of the Chungking Pacification Headquarters. They were expected to start a so-called peace movement meaning a surrender to the Communists, but this turned out to be unlikely.

Szechuen is a self-sufficient province yielding considerable rice which would be sufficient for Communist held provinces in East China. Therefore observers here believe that Chungking is better objective than Canton.

The fall of Lanchow does not affect Canton so much as the Communist occupation of the Southern bulge of Kiangsi. Latest reports to hand stated that North Kwangtung was still quiet. General Liu Po-cheng's veterans are in need of a brief respite before continuing their push towards Canton.

In Hunan the Military News Agency admitted the Red took back Anhua North West of Changsha but had no reports about the situation in Eastern Hunan. On the Canton-Hankow Railway, the Reds were still stalled at Shihwan just North of Hengshan. Hengyang, South of Hengshan was still in telegraphic connection with Canton.

General Lin Piao and Liu Po-cheng are regrouping their forces for an all-out offensive perhaps after two or three weeks, observers here believe.

Campaign In Kiangsi Ending

The Communist campaign in Kiangsi Province is rapidly drawing to a close with virtually the entire province in Communist hands while the spotlight has shifted to the Kiangsi-Kwangtung border where the Communists are prepared to smash across in force, reports United Press.

Communist guerillas increased their activity in North Eastern Kwangtung softening up territory for the advancing Red armies now only a little more than 100 miles North East of Canton.

General Liu An-chi deployed his army group along the border region in an attempt to contain the Communist push.

General Feng Tien, refugee governor of Kiangsi who was forced to move thrice within a week, fled his latest capital of Hweichang, which fell to the Reds and arrived in Meihsien, the largest town in North East Kwangtung.

In Fukien, Chuanchow guarding the Northern approach to Amoy along the constal highway came under Communist attack and has probably been lost, while Amoy prepared to defend itself, imposed a curfew and appointed a new garrison commander.—Our Own Correspondent, United Press.

SCAP To Control Taiwan ?

The United States Government has formally informed the Chinese Nationalist Government that it proposes to place Taiwan (formerly called Formosa) under Allied Occupation, according to unconfirmed Chinese reports received here yesterday.

The reports said that the United States Government's note to President Li Tsung-jen referred to the Cairo Declaration which decided to determine the ultimate status of Taiwan at the Japan peace Conference.

The Note added as the Nationalist situation is rapidly deteriorating, there is no alternative but to bring Taiwan within the control of SCAP pending the convention and conclusion of the Japan Peace Conference.

Nationalist opinion in Hong Kong, when referred to the unconfirmed reports yestrday, was that the Cairo Declaration gave China full sovereignty over Taiwan, and that the Japan Peace Conference is to be only a formality to ratify the Cairo Conference decision.

Chinese Reds Denounce Tito

San Francisco, August 26.

The Chinese Communists jumped into the Russian Yugoslav controversy with strong denunciations of Marshal Tito. In a broadcast heard by the Associated Press, the Peiping Red radio said that Marshal Tito is travelling the same road as Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

"What Generalissimo Chiang did, Marshal Tito has done and is doing," the Reds said. "Both Marshal Tito and Generalissimo Chiang are deadly foes of the people. Those who choose the road of Marshal Tito will walk in the footsteps of Chiang and be smashed by the people.

"Marshall Tito still looks arrogant in his own country but he really is sitting on a volcano. The heroic Yugoslav people, helped by the Soviet Union and working people of the world, will certainly be able to strike down the Tito reactionaries. — Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0000 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) pressure is high over N. and central and also to the E of Japan. There are depressions over NE China, Kyushu and Southern China. Pressure remains low over the Philippines.

Today's Forecast:—Light variable winds, mainly Westerly, hazy during the morning, otherwise fair.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 89.8 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 79.2 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 12.0 hours.
Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—1282.4 mm.=52.11 ins. as against an average of 1657.0 mm.=65.25 ins.

Readings at	10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Barom. at m.s.l.	1010.9	1007.6 m.b.
Temp.	Equals 79.25	79.75 Inches.
Rel. Humidity	78	70 %
Dew Point	76	75 deg. F.
Wind Direction	W	W
Wind Force	2	4 Knots.

Times—	Time	Ht.
High	0150	8.9
Low	1310	0.7
High	2040	7.5
Low	1910	2.3

Japs Shipping Vegetables To Hong Kong

Tokyo, August 27.

The Jiji press today reported the first postwar export from Japan of perishable vegetables leaving for Hong Kong on Monday aboard the President Van Buren.

Twelve tons of tomatoes, cucumbers, cabbages, pumpkins and garlic are being shipped to Emile Otto and Company of Hong Kong, it was said.—Reuter.

DEPORTATION OF CHINESE HALTED

Sydney, August 27.

The Australian High Court, specially summoned to meet in a Judge's home, today ordered the Government to hold its hand in a move to deport 38 Chinese held as prohibited immigrants under the War Refugees Removal Act.

It was reported yesterday that immigration officers had chartered a plane to take the Chinese to Hong Kong.

Affidavits were lodged with the Court, challenging the validity of the act, and Mr. Justice Dudley Williams, in granting injunctions restraining the Government's action, has fixed a further hearing for Monday.—Reuter.

ROYAL VISIT TO AUSTRALIA

Sydney, August 27.

The King and Queen, and Princess Margaret will visit Australia next year, the "Sunday Herald" reported today.

A despatch from a London correspondent, quoting persons in close contact with Buckingham Palace, stated that the date of the visit could not be announced until the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee had fixed the date of the general election.—Reuter.

Summer Holiday

Little Nelly Rayon Emile on holiday at Juan les Pins goes in the sea with Marguerite Vinciguerra.

Sympathetic Approach To British Appeals In Crisis Talks

Washington, August 27.

Administration officials declared yesterday that the United States will have to take full account of both political and military factors in the coming negotiations on Britain's crisis in working out what they said will be a sympathetic approach to British appeals for help and co-operation.

Exactly what steps the American Government will take in the meetings here with British leaders beginning September 6 remains to be determined.

It appeared likely that at the minimum, the United States would agree to:

(1) Temporary discrimination against American goods as a means of saving British dollars;

(2) Measures designed to increase British sales in this country;

(3) Co-operation with the British in promoting development of colonial areas through President Truman's so-called "point four" programme.

British diplomats here became concerned over the development of American policy for the talks last week. The Administration announced then that the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, rather than the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, would be the chief negotiator for the United States.

Dominant Figures

Since Britain's Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, as well as Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer is coming here the British had assumed that Mr. Acheson and Mr. Bevin would be the dominant figures for the two sides.

British concern arose out of the fear that Mr. Snyder would want to discuss the British crisis solely on economic terms. Since Britain is in a bad way economically, British officials concluded that the American attitude might be on the whole less sympathetic under Mr. Snyder's guidance than under Mr. Acheson's.

Administration officials said yesterday, however, that the complete American position is being worked out in conferences among Mr. Snyder, Mr. Acheson and their Administration leaders and advisers. They said it will give adequate consideration to political and military factors as well as to economic facts.

In general, this means recognition of Britain's strategic position (its close ties militarily with the United States and Western Europe and its role as a political ally with the United States and other nations in the cold war.

Administration leaders thus are willing to take all measures which they feel to be practically possible in a new effort to help get Britain back on its economic feet and keep it there.—Associated Press.

Derailment Of Train In Hunan

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, August 27.

The Canton-Hankow Railway train service was resumed today following a suspension of 24 hours caused by the derailment of a North-bound train at Tengkatong in Hunan, South of Hengyang. Four persons were badly hurt in the accident caused by the removal of bolts and fishplates by bandits.

The derailment took place at 2.20 a.m. yesterday and the damaged track was repaired at 6.30 a.m. today.

Trains arriving this afternoon from Hengyang brought pigs, ducks, chickens and eggs. North-bound trains took cigarettes, soap and daily necessaries to Hengyang which is not threatened by the fighting 60 miles to the North.

This was the third derailment in twelve days. The railway authorities suspected that Communist saboteurs—removed the bolts and fishplates in order to disrupt train service, as considerable troops travelled on this line from Canton to North Kwangtung and Hunan.

At one time last week as many as seven troop trains left here for the front. Further troop transportation is halted at the moment, as the last regiment was sent North two days ago.

Power Failure Causes Confusion In Hong Kong

Electricity supply on the Island of Hong Kong was disrupted for 49 minutes yesterday during the lunch hour when thousands of office workers began streaming out of offices to restaurants and to their homes.

At 12.40 p.m., all the lights on the Island went out; lifts stopped, trapping a number of persons between floors; refrigerators cooled down causing anxiety to fresh food merchants and housewives who had stocked ice boxes to tide over the week-end.

More than 100 trams stopped dead in their tracks between Kennedy Town and Shaukiwan—a distance of more than 10 miles including the Happy Valley oval.

The burden of taking office workers back to their homes was thrown on the bus services, taxis and rickshaws, which did a roaring trade.

In factories, machinery churned to a standstill; foremen rushed to the fuse boxes to inspect, then hurriedly telephoned the Complaints Department of the Hong Kong Electric Company to find out the real cause for the sudden breakdown.

The disruption, caused by what was officially described as "a slight electrical fault," resulted in pecuniary losses to some firms and individuals, the extent of which could not be estimated yesterday.

Although Radio Hong Kong continued broadcasting by using an auxiliary generator, the broadcasts were not heard by listeners on the Island for nearly an hour.

Rediffusion Dead

Rediffusion was completely dead on the Island for the disruption period as it depends solely on the supply of power from the Electric Company. Its auxiliary generator plant is due here soon.

Cable and Wireless also continued operating with the auxiliary generators. The Telephone service, except long distance calls, was not effected. The company has a "power bank" which it can use for a considerable period without supply from the Electric Company.

News agencies were also inconvenienced. Incoming broadcast news in morse was interrupted.

In some restaurants customers lunched by candle light, in others the owners strung up hired Chinese air lamps.

Restaurant patrons were seen making profused use of hand fans when the air conditioning plants stopped operating.

When the lights went out and the lifts stopped, office workers were forced to leave the staircases, using cigarette lighters and safety matches to light up darkened stairways.

"Bus Full"

All buses were jammed with passengers, and the "bus full" sign was displayed on every bus.

Some small theatres in the Eastern district were showing the 12.30 p.m. performance when the electricity supply went off. Movie fans crowded outside the theatres, waiting for the resumption of the electricity supply; others queued up in front of the booking office, requesting refund of the tickets.

Some people were trapped between floors in the lifts of the city buildings.

Four persons were trapped in a lift at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Coporation between the second and third floors.

Two others were caught between the third and fourth floors of the P & O Building. They managed to crawl out of the trapped lift, which had stopped about three feet from the fourth floor. Some people were also trapped in the lifts of the Lok Yau Building and Victory House.

The electricity supply was resumed about 1.30 p.m. when the "slight electrical fault" was remedied.

Cominform Sabotage In Fiume

Belgrade, August 27.

Reports from Trieste today said Yugoslavia moved troops into its Fiume-Pola areas in an apparent effort to curb any Cominform sabotage.

The Trieste despatch quoted official Italian sources there as saying Yugoslav troops moved into strategic positions in the North West corner of the country after fire broke out on Thursday in the big Roman oil refinery at Fiume, third largest oil refinery in Europe.

An official Yugoslav announcement confirmed the report of the fire but said it was extinguished quickly. It said the refinery was again operating at full capacity.

Trieste reported, however, that billowing columns of dense smoke still covered the Fiume area today. Reliable sources in the international city said the intense heat hampered all efforts to extinguish the fire.

Hand Grenades

Reports circulating in Trieste said the Fire was started by two hand grenades thrown by Cominform agents seeking the overthrow of the Tito government for its refusal to take dictation from Moscow.

Official Italian sources in Trieste said other Yugoslav troops were sent to Pola, former Italian naval base taken over by Yugoslavia under the Italian peace treaty, and the coal mines in nearby Arsia presumably to prevent further sabotage. Both Pola and Arsia are on the Istrian peninsula just South of Trieste. Fiume is about 40 miles South East of Trieste.

Most Communists in the Trieste area are known to side with the Cominform against Marshal Tito. —United Press.

Six More KMT Men Arrested

Six more Kuomintang members in Hong Kong have been detained by the Special Branch, Hong Kong Police, the "Sunday Herald" learned last night.

The fresh arrests followed the detention of Mr. Wu Yau-chuen, Kuomintang official, who has been detained since August 19.

No written charges have yet been preferred against the men. It was learned from unofficial sources that the men have been arrested in connection with clandestine activities at the former walled Kowloon City.

Statements have been taken from the men who are detained at the Central Police Station under emergency regulations.

Lower Wages For S'hai Workers

Shanghai, August 26.

Chen Yung, Chairman, of the Communist National Labour Union and member of the Politburo, told Shanghai unions that they must reconcile themselves to lower wages.

Chen, addressing 600 union representatives, said that times would get worse before they get better. He predicted the closing or curtailed operation of many more factories.

An official Yugoslav announcement confirmed the report of the fire but said it was extinguished quickly. It said the refinery was again operating at full capacity.

He told representatives that while labour is the "leading class" in China, now it cannot resort to strikes or sabotage and that private capital is necessary to "the new democracy."

Labour's task, he added, is to seek greater production and to support the Communist army as a means of "consolidating the labours new political power."

Shanghai is in the throes of a deepening depression which the Reds blame on the Nationalist sea blockade. The Red Press estimates more than 1,000,000 are unemployed in Shanghai.

Chen told the party members not to be disheartened when workers complain that they have lost their jobs since the Communists took over. The party, he claimed, will help workers to "enjoy their rights" but must also "educate them to fulfill their obligations."—Associated Press.

Strathaven, August 27.

Physicians today announced that ailing Sir Harry Lauder spent a quiet night but that there was no improvement in his general condition.

Sir Harry is seriously ill with cerebral thrombosis and uremia. —United Press.

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Many Ignore Anti-Litter Campaign

The first week of the anti litter campaign ends today with little evidence to show that the Hong Kong public has been made more city-clean conscious.

A spokesman of the Urban Council told the "Sunday Herald" that while some members of the public had co-operated in the campaign, there were others who simply ignored it.

Dumping of rubbish into the street continued unabated in certain areas, while strewing of used tram and bus tickets in the street was still a habit with many people, despite the provision of litter-boxes near at hand.

The spokesman said shortage of personnel was one handicap but the worst areas were being watched and offenders would be prosecuted.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

National Anthem

Sir, — Your correspondent "Blimp" in today's "China Mail" put into a few well-chosen words what many of the rest of us have been thinking for a long time past. To ignore any country's National Anthem may be a means of gaining face (though heaven knows how) but it is not a sign of even elementary courtesy, and shows an incredible lack of knowledge of civilised international usage.

If I go to India, France, America or anywhere else—even if I don't like the country—I stand to attention when their National Anthem is played, without a second thought. Whether I like the place or not, or agree with its administration, it is only basic politeness to respect this.

When I came here first after the war, I had heard a lot about Oriental courtesy. So far, I haven't seen any, but a great deal more rudeness than one gets even in such an uncivilised place as the United States. And in China there is supposed to have been six thousand years of culture!

I can't say it's noticeable, for instance, when waiting to get into a lift, a bus or tram. A European lady who has been at the head of the queue is forcibly shoved aside by bony-elbowed males—and this happens all the time. Perhaps this also gives face.

But on the subject of the National Anthem, I feel strongly that if 90 per cent or more of patrons of the central cinemas are going to ignore it, surely it is better to stop playing it than having it flaunted and despised several times a day?

ORDINARY BLOKE.

Litter Campaign

Sir,—The Sanitary Department is launching an anti-litter campaign this week. This is perhaps the first of its kind to be launched in the Colony. From a sanitary point of view, I consider it necessary in the interest of public health to support whole-heartedly this campaign. It is my conception that if a city is kept clean, public health may be well safeguarded.

This week we are asked to keep our city clean. Passengers getting off buses or tram cars are advised not to throw their tickets in the road. Everything aimed at achieving this goal is being done with every possible means. The Sanitary Department is asking us to do whatever we can to make this campaign a success. On the contrary, an unhealthy state of affairs existing at the Gloucester Road in Wanchai has for some time been overlooked. This road is covered with dust and dirt the existence of which constitutes a threat to public health. If such a state of affairs remains unchecked, I have no doubt that this campaign is of no avail.

It is illogical to expect us to do what we can for this campaign on the one hand, while on the other hand tolerating others to do against our efforts. Those who have no regard for public health must be severely dealt with. It is hoped that prevention against littering at this road will be afforded to keep this road free from dust and dirt for the maintenance of public health.

JAMES HAMILTON.

LOCAL ESTATE

Local estate, sworn under HK $308,000, was left by Mr. John Johnston French, former bank official, of 15, Sathorn Road, Bangkok, who died on September 1, 1948.

Mr. C. D. Slade, barrister, acting for the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Hong Kong (Trustees) Limited, the lawful attorney, was granted permission to reseal certified copy of probate and will.

Mr. Alexander Rose, formerly of 48, Eaton Square, London, S.W.1, who died at Glenferness, Nairnshire, on September 11, 1947, left local estate sworn under HK $2,500.

Permission to reseal certified [illegible] was granted to the executors [illegible].

Ballantynes In S.F.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Ballantyne are shown aboard the ss. President Wilson as the American President Lines' luxury liner docked in San Francisco. Mr. Ballantyne was Vice President and Manager of the Chase Bank, Hong Kong, and is being transferred to the New York office after 30 years duty in the Orient. Mr. Ballantyne will serve as consultant on China affairs.

Appeal To Public To Prevent Rabies

A strong appeal that the public co-operate for their own benefit as well as for that of their fellow-citizens in the prevention of rabies was made by Dr. G. I. Shaw, Government Senior Health Officer at a Press conference yesterday.

Dr. Shaw said that there have been five confirmed cases of human rabies this year and that there may possibly be two more. The confirmed cases occurred in Kuling Street, Kam Wah Street (Shaukiwan), Battery Street, Temple Street and at the Tai Po Old Market. All of them ended fatally.

"The pitiable part about these cases", said the speaker "was that no report was made to the Police by any of these dog-bitten victims, and despite all investigation, we still do not know where the rabies came from".

"The public must realise" Dr. Shaw stressed "the importance of their being treated as soon as possible when they are bitten by dogs, no matter how small the wound is."

Colonel R.H. Robertson, Senior Veterinary Officer, said there were also 13 cases of dog rabies during the year. But the cases reported he said, do not account for all the cases that may exist in the Colony at present.

Stray Dogs

Outlining the ways in which the disease can be combatted he said that the first essential is the elimination of all stray and ownerless dogs. He asked the public to co-operate in this campaign by catching these dogs and hand them over to the Police or else report their presence to the Police authorities.

"The Police," Colonel Robertson pointed out "has started this campaign already, but their work has been interfered to a great extent by some members of the public who have nothing else to do but write to the press criticising the killing of dogs.

"On my part," he opined "I would rather see a dog being killed than a man dying of rabies."

He said that compulsory inoculation has been introduced, but gave it as his opinion that such a step is doomed to failure unless all stray dogs can be first eliminated.

That most of the public are not familiar with dog regulations of the Colony was expressed by him, and an invitation was made to them to read the Dog's Ordinance. He announced that until the danger of rabies has subsided, the existing regulations will be strictly enforced.

Asked about the Colony's floating dog population on sampans and junks, he agreed that this presented a serious problem. At present, he said, each sampan or junk owner, like a farmer, is allowed to keep a watch-dog, without a licence. In view of the present health danger, this concession, may have to be reviewed.

Boy Drowned At Repulse Bay

An eight-year-old Chinese boy, Tang Kai-chiu, was drowned while swimming at Repulse Bay yesterday afternoon.

The boy went swimming with members of his family. When his absence was noted a search was made and later he was brought ashore in an unconscious condition. Artificial respiration was applied for almost an hour without success.

DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED

Following are the latest donations to the St. John's Cathedral Centenary Appeal:—

T. H. R. Shaw	£10- 0-0
Mrs. H. M. Campbell ..	10-0
Miss Kathleen Chesney	10-0
Mrs. Hilda Rooke	1- 0-0
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The Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association's Flag Day Committee gratefully acknowledges the following donations:—

Previously acknowledged $10,618.90, Dr. the Hon. I. Newton $50, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ring $10, Geoffrey Wilson $50, South China Traders $50, Dr. C.D. Wong $10, Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Robertson $20, Dr. and Mrs. C.E. da Rosa $30, Mr. and Mrs. F.N. Williamson $20, Man Tee Shan $10, S.E. Sung $10, Miss Olive M. Blatchuk $10, M. de Meyer $10, Ho Chi Wo $10, Lam Man (Kit, $5, Wong Fong Tai $5, Member of Staff of Farmer's Bank $5, Wong Tai Sin & Wong Kong Sai $5, Staff of the following Companies in loving memory of Mr. Tsui Chuen, Chief of Staff of Tsui Brothers $210, Staff of Wellington Estate $105, Staff of Mr. Matson $40, Mr. Tsui Kam Kee & Mrs. R. Green $30, Mr. Tsui Kam Kee & Mrs. R. Green $30, Mr. Tsui Kam Kee & Mrs. R. Green $30

Gov't May Requisition Strike-Bound Trawlers

Unless the strike-bound Tiu Tien fishing trawlers begin operation within a reasonable period the Government may requisition them and reach a compromise with the fishermen to put them in operation.

This was revealed by officials of the Shaukiwan Fishing Junks' Owners' Union when interviewed last evening regarding the five-day walk-out of some 500 fishermen employed on 17 fishing junks, now lying idle at Shaukiwan.

Since the strike began on August 23 the owners have lost about 30,000 catties of fish. Normally, with the whole striking fleet in operation at the same time, the total catch would amount to 120,000 catties.

"We were informed by the authorities at a meeting on Friday at the Labour Office that unless the dispute is settled within a reasonable period the junks may be seized by the Government and operated on a scheme which would prove agreeable to the fishermen," the officials asserted.

"In the meantime discussions are under way on both sides and we can do nothing more but await suggestions from the owners," they added.

The strikers walked out on Tuesday after their three-point demands were refused consideration by the owners of the mechanised fishing trawlers.

The fishermen claimed that high operation expenses have reduced their bonuses and salaries. The owners should bear the costs incurred in the purchase of fuel, the minor transportation charges to expedite delivery and the hire of "boosters" at auctions, they demanded.

Cost Of Living

The strikers based their claims on the ground that higher cost of living at present have necessitated their action.

Explaining the situation, the Union officials stated yesterday that originally when the junks were mechanised—in May last year—the agreement was that the owners should bear 70 per cent and the fishermen 30 per cent of the operation costs.

"This was observed by both parties till the strike. The fishermen refused to bear their share of the operation costs," they asserted.

"It will be very difficult to accede to the demands. The owners will lose considerably if they have to bear all the expenses," they declared.

Before the junks were mechansed, each fisherman received from $80 to $120 in salary and bonus. (The fisherman worked on the following basis—food and lodging and a little sum for salary plus a bonus on the sale of the catch).

Since the junks were equipped with engines, the catch has improved and each fisherman had been receiving from $200 to $250 in salary and bonus.

The striking fishermen are meanwhile being maintained where necessary by their guild. Many however are staying with their families and friends.

They Liked The "Nice And Easy"

Tokyo, August 27.

Two former British Commonwealth Occupation Forces military policemen have been arrested after having successfully returned to Japan illegally from Australia last May, escaped from a military guard upon arrival, eluded searchers and lived with Japanese for three months.

Both said that they had returned because they liked the "nice and easy life." They are Mervyn Raymond Toms from Bombala, New South Wales, and John Alexander Ramsay, from Brighton, Victoria.

A BCOF spokesman said that Toms was placed aboard the Changte on August 4 and will probably arrive in Sydney this week-end. Ramsay is at present at the Kure detention barracks and may be returned to Australia by air.

Toms and Ramsay stowed away aboard the steamship Nellore at Hong Kong last April and were placed under a military guard upon their arrival at Yokohama.

Using air scuttles, they escaped at the next port of call, Nagoya, and disappeared ashore. Both lived with Japanese until Toms daringly returned to Kure where he was recognised and arrested, according to the BCOF spokesman.

Ramsay was picked up in the Kobe area where he was reported to have close friends.—Reuter.

HKDF Strength

Hong Kong Defence Force reached this week a membership total of 1,024 attested personnel while the Women's Force showed an increase from 53 to 63.

The break-up into the different HKDF Services shows seven in the Headquarters Staff, 265 in the Regiment, 81 in the Navy, 63 in the Air Force, 53 in the Home Guard, and 555 in the Essential Services.

Reminders

Today

Special Service to commemorate British Fleet entry into Hong Kong Harbour in 1945, St. John's Cathedral, 11 a.m.

HK Art Club, sketching Class members to assemble at Queen's Pier, 2.30 p.m. (Further information from Mr. Nobbins, Tel: 30709).

Recital of Recorded Music, St. Andrew's Church, 8.30 p.m.

HK Musicians Union Tea Dance, HK Hotel, 4 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Whist Drive (for civilians and Servicemen) European YMCA, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Bridge Drive (for civilians and Servicemen) European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Liberation Day Concert Day, at European YMCA, 9 p.m. Middlesex Regiment Band (Servicemen free admission)

Filipino Club Cocktail Party in honour of new Consul Dr. Jose V. Rodriguez, 11.30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Urban Council meeting GPO building, 4.15 p.m.

Mahjong Lessons (Servicemen free) European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Douglas Steamship Company cocktail party on board ms. Hai Meng, 6.30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club lunch Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y's Men's luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

The Barnstormers variety show for Forces, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Yesterday's Wedding

Mr. Paul Malcolm Seth and Miss Elfrida Luz whose wedding took place at the Rosary Church yesterday. The bride is the foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Triggs and was given away in marriage by her foster father Mr. C. J. Triggs. ("China Mail" photo)

Registered Trade Unions In Colony

More than 140 trade unions have been registered at the Commissioner of Labour's office. Total membership, including women members, exceeds 95,000.

The unions include two European organisations—the China Coast Navigation and Engineers Officers Guild and the Association of European Telecommunication Civil Servants.

By the end of March last, there was a total of 141 trade unions on the Commissioner of Labour's register with a total membership of 95,300. A number of new unions have since been added to the register.

Of the 95,300 members, 10,500 were women.

Seventy-four of the registered trade unions at the end of March were affiliated to the Hong Kong and Kowloon Trades Union Council with a membership of 44,000 men and 5,100 women. Twenty-seven were affiliated to the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions with a membership of 21,800 men and 3,700 women.

Entrance fees of the trade unions range from HK$1 to HK$100. There are only four which charge HK$1 and two which charge HK$100. Only one union does not charge entrance fees.

Twenty-three of the 45 trade unions with woman membership have women elected to the Executive Committee or Supervisory Committee. The majority of the unions makes no reduction in respect of either entrance fees or monthly subscriptions.

Apprentices are admitted to most of the trade unions as members.

Only four are without death benefit scheme of the 141 registered trade unions. The method adopted by the majority of the unions is that on the death of a member all the remaining members contribute a certain sum and a fixed amount is given to the dependents.

Sixty-five trade unions provide Chinese herbalists for sick members. Nine supply free medicine; three at reduced rates and one provides a fixed sum of HK$10 for medicine.

As regards strike benefit, 118 unions do not provide such facilities. Seventeen give strike benefit at the discretion of the Committee. One union provides food and lodging, and four free food only. Two unions give monetary allowances and one provides passage money up to HK$50.

Thirty-nine unions have publications of their own. Eight have yearly publications, two half-yearly, three quarterly, two monthly, two fortnightly and 22 publish irregularly.

Only four of the 141 unions have jointly with the employers fixed machinery for negotiation in the event of disputes. Twenty-three have written agreements with the employers.

Don't Want To Tempt The Reds

Washington, August 27.

Representative Walter Huber, Ohio Democrat, announced today China has been cut from the schedule of a Congressional committee's tour of Asia because "the temptation to seize a Congressional group as hostages might be too great for Chinese Red forces."

Mr. Huber will lead a delegation of six Congressmen on a 40-day flying trip to Alaska, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Netherland East Indies, Singapore, Bangkok, Burma and return via the mandated islands in the Pacific and Hawaii. They will leave here on Tuesday in an Air Force plane.

In Alaska the committee will study defence and defence needs. Alaskan officials have protested to Congress that theirs is a neglected area.

To See SCAP

Huber said the group will ask General MacArthur for a report on developments in China and Far East and of progress in Japan's recovery.

In Korea, the Congressmen will try to appraise the value of U.S. financial aid to anti-Communist Koreans, and whether it should be continued or increased.

They will meet government leaders in Bangkok and Burma, to discuss problems of Communist influence and danger, and a proposed Pacific pact somewhat similar to the North Atlantic Treaty.

At Manila, he said, they will discuss the feasibility of building the proposed Veterans Administration hospital.—Associated Press.

MAY BRING CHINA SITUATION TO UN

Washington, August 26.

The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, said today that his government was considering bringing China's civil war crisis before the United Nations.

Dr. Koo said the matter had been under consideration by his government for about two months, but no decision had been reached.

The Ambassador talked to reporters following a 30-minute conference with the deputy Undersecretary of State, Mr. Dean Rusk. He would only say, "We had a general exchange of views on the situation in China."—United Press.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON WATERFRONT

An accident causing the death of one person and severe injuries to three others, occurred yesterday morning on the waterfront.

Work was in progress at about 11 a.m. on the salvage of a motor car which fell into the water at midnight on Friday, when the steel rope used for pulling the car out snapped. All four casualties were Chinese workmen engaged in the salvage operation.

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Court Brevities

A 60 year old man, Cheung Choi, was cautioned by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central on a charge of hawking cigarettes without a licence.

Inspector H.B. Dewar told the magistrate that Cheung was arrested by the hawker squad. Cheung is at present receiving a pension of $50 from the Union Insurance and a room free of rent.

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Seven Chinese men were yesterday given an option of a fine of five dollars or 10 days imprisonment by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central on a charge of obstruction by loitering.

Inspector Dewar said that the defendants were found loitering outside the Union Building and China Emporium.

Chung Fu-shan, aged 20 was fined $10 for obstruction by sitting on the footpath at Kai Yu Fong, on August 29.

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Chu Pak-kui, aged 20, was fined $15 and the bicycle to be confiscated to the crown on a charge of failing to have full control of the bicycle. Defendant was arrested in Possession Street near Queen's Road Central with two tin boxes behind the bicycle. Mr. d'Almada was magistrate.

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For stealing three packages of Solution Liner Extract Purified Lilly valued at $75 from the Victory Dispensary, Li Ming, aged 30, was given the option of a fine of $250 or three months by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Inspector Dewar said that Tam Shing saw defendant leaving the Dispensary with the articles and arrested him.

Defendant said that he went to the Dispensary with the intention of buying the articles and on the spur of the moment took the articles.

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For exporting unmanifested cargo to the value of $8,000, Pang Chuen was yesterday fined $2,000 by Mr. Hing Shing-lo at Central.

The cargo was ordered to be given back to him.

MATSHED FOR SERVICEMEN

The Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., have erected a matshed near its Café at Repulse Bay for the use of Servicemen as a changing room.

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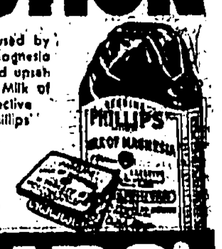

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Bradley Called "Overseas Cannibal"

Moscow, August 25.

The Soviet trade union newspaper Trud today denounced Omar Bradley of the United States as an "overseas cannibal" who wanted to embroil the Europeans in a war to save American economy.

At the same time, the New Times, official Russian foreign affairs weekly, said Russia was not afraid of atomic bombs or "any other kind of blackmail."

Both articles were published in connection with the opening of the all-union conference of peace partisans in the Hall of Columns at Trade Union House here today.

Trud attacked General Bradley, new chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, declaring that American and British militarists, diplomats and other reactionary forces were organising a "monstrous conspiracy" against mankind and against the Soviet Union.

"Having become entangled in their intrigues against the peoples and having led the economy of their countries into a blind alley, the Anglo-American imperialists are looking for a way out."

Peace And Democracy

It said the conference of peace partisans was called for peace and democracy and to "expose the Anglo-American warmongers."

On hand for the opening session were the composer Dmitri Shostakovich, the playwright Alexander Korneichuk, the biologist Trofim Lysenko and several foreign delegates.

The New Times article said the Soviet Union and people of the democracies of Eastern Europe were "free of hysteria and look with confidence to the future."

It added, "But the Soviet people do not forget that the dark forces of imperialist reaction and obscurantism are prepared to hurl the world once more into the hell of misery. A handful of Wall Street and London industrial and financial magnates are out to attain their selfish ends and, egged on by the mounting economic crisis and by their mortal fear of the peoples in their countries and colonies, are brandishing the sword and poisoning the internal atmosphere.

"The Soviet people stand for peace. They manifest goodwill and a desire for international co-operation. But they are not afraid of threats and are not to be intimidated by the atomic bomb or any other kind of blackmail.

"Aggression and rapine are inherently alien and hostile to the land of Socialism where the exploiting classes have been abolished."

It said the Soviet people were convinced that the "camp of peace" could avert another war.

The magazine Literary Gazette drew this picture of the United States and, for good measure, brought in Yugoslavia:

"The President of the United States hysterically demands new arms appropriations. Businessmen in general's uniforms and dumb soldiers with ministerial portfolios are feverishing conferring and issuing orders to Bevins and Blums. The pitiful Belgrade fuhrer also obeys the imperialists, but all their doctrines, plans, blocs and pacts are doomed to collapse. A disgraceful end awaits their adventure."

In another article, the New Times accused Marshal Tito of betraying Yugoslavia to foreign capital.—United Press.

RED PCC TO MEET IN PEIPING

Shanghai, August 27.

A local source which appeared reliable, today told the Associated Press that the Communist Political Consultative Conference would convene in Peiping from September 15 to September 20.

October 1 was said to have been set as the date for the announcement of a coalition government which will be the permanent government of Communist China.

The report could not be verified by any official source here, although it has been reported several times that the Political Consultative Conference would begin the work of establishing a formal government sometime early in the autumn.—Associated Press.

REDS CREATE NEW PROVINCE

San Francisco, August 26.

The Communists announced they had created a new province in North Central China, North of the Yellow River.

Called Pingyuan, it is made up of 17 on an, Shantung and Hopeh provinces. Sinsiang is the provincial capital.

The exact area was not defined by the Peiping Red Radio announcement heard by the Associated Press in San Francisco, but the objective was to straighten out some ancient and unnecessarily crooked boundaries.—Associated Press.

MAILS FROM SHANGHAI

Shanghai, August 27.

The Shanghai Post Office announced today that outgoing mails would be despatched via Tientsin and Hong Kong four times monthly, unless ships which call here will carry mails direct to Hong Kong or other foreign ports.—Associated Press.

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Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

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Manstein's Former Officers Testify

Hamburg, August 26.

Several former officers and soldiers in the armies of Field-Marshal Fritz Von Manstein had come forward to offer evidence in defence of their Commander, responding to an appeal by his lawyer, Mr. R. G. Paget, it was stated today.

Defence lawyers in the four-day old war crimes trial of Hitler's field Commander in South Russia are carefully sifting evidence put forward—but are tight-lipped about the new information.

When the Court adjourned last Wednesday Mr. Paget called a press conference at which he asked German reporters to appeal for more information for the defence—referring especially to his Court argument that no nation could complain of practices which it used herself.

Mr. Paget flew to London yesterday, but will be kept briefed on the results of his plea.

At today's session the Court, hearing 17 charges against Manstein, decided not to take evidence from a former SS Commander, Major-General Ohlendorf, now under sentence of death.

The Court decided to take no steps to get evidence from Ohlendorf—who commanded the dreaded extermination squad known as "Task Force D"—but to accept dispositions from three of his former officers, also under sentence of death.

Lieutenant-General Sir Frank Simpson, President of the Court, told Hamburg police today not to be so enthusiastic about shepherding the seven judges from the Court to their hotel.

Until today they have been escorted at break-neck speed through the city by white helmeted German motor cycle police ignoring all traffic lights and other traffic—in the way Nazi leaders and gauleiters were treated a few years ago.

The Court will not sit tomorrow.—Reuter.

Balloonist Dies

Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, August 25.

Herbert Spencer, last of six brothers famous for aeronautics, has died at Cheshunt, aged 66. Between them, the six brothers have made more than 10,000 balloon ascents and parachute drops.

They were the grandsons of Edward Spencer, who first went up in a balloon in 1837.

Herbert made his first parachute descent from a balloon in 1899. He jumped from nearly 15,000 feet in 1909, held pilot licence number 124 and in 1912 won the first race ever flown at Brooklands.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL NOTICES, APPOINTMENTS

A full List of Authorised Architects was published in yesterday's "Government Gazette."

The names of Mr. V. Kenniff and Mr. R.J. Vernall have been removed from the List of Authorised Architects. They have ceased to practice in the Colony.

On the Governor-in-Council's directions, the name of Mr. Ip Hin-fong has been reinserted in the List of Authorised Architects.

Mr. Geoffrey Studholme Wilson has been appointed to be an Assistant Commissioner of Police with effect from November 1 last.

Dr. Raymond Lancelot Lancaster has been appointed to be a Medical Officer with effect from March 30 last.

Mr. Chan Kailau has been appointed to be a Sub-Inspector of Schools with effect from September 1.

Relinquishment of his appointment by Captain Anthony Patrick Wilson, The Buffs (Royal East Kent Regiment), as the Governor's aide-de-camp has been approved.

Dr. Chaun Kwok-wing has been appointed to be a member of the Dental Board for a term of three years, effective from August 15.

Privates H.A. de Barros Botelho, A.N. Braude, B. C. Field C.M. McEwan and W.G. Wormal have been promoted to be Captains in the Hong Kong Defence Force.

The Governor has approved the discharge of Mr. D.W. Jones on appointment to a commission in the Hong Kong Defence Force. His appointment to a commission as Pilot Officer in the Force for service in the General Duties Branch of the Hong Kong Air Force has been approved.

Mr. William McIntosh Smith's appointment as an Official Justice of the Peace has been revoked. Mr. Smith has retired from government service.

The Governor-in-Council has increased the fee for a Tobacco Dealer's Licence from HK$10 to HK$300.

URGES UN TO PUBLISH FACTS

London, August 26.

The "Times" today urged the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan to determine and publish the facts behind the two dominions conflicting claims in the Kashmir dispute.

No further progress will be possible without an objective assessment of the two mooted questions—the future of 'Azad Kashmir' forces and the administration of the Northern territories, the newspaper said.

The Commission will have to face the abuse with which a really impartial finding of facts will be received in both dominions and make public the information which it has gathered.

The paper continued that it was the duty of the United Nations Security Council to obtain and publish a clear statement of the situation in Kashmir so that other members of the United Nations can judge impartially on the merits of this unhappy controversy.—Reuter.

For failing to have full control of his bicycle at Causeway Road on Friday, Chan Kam-wing was yesterday fined $75 by Mr. Hin Shing-lo.

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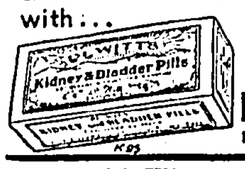

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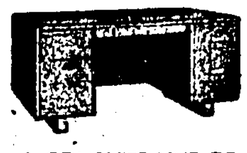

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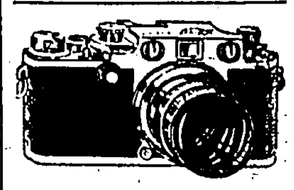

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WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R.H. Naylor

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

JANUARY

(December 21—January 19)

The next few days will probably bring recent schemes to maturity. Easy to get on with important projects that will keep you busy for two or three years. Personal success and good news of the family on Saturday.

FEBRUARY

(January 20—February 18)

Worth while concentrating on new ideas and up to the minute schemes. Rapid progress in next few days, but an unexpected hold up on Thursday probably due to defaulting among subordinates or staff. Take pains to keep well end of week.

MARCH

(February 19—March 20)

A windfall likely end of week or prosperous friend does you a good turn. About Wednesday satisfactory conclusion to a difficult and complicated task. Reappearance of an older friend makes for peace of mind.

APRIL

(March 21—April 20)

A fortunate week financially; towards Saturday you "cash in" on recent efforts. A new link up promises well at first but complications threaten in near future. Family or change cause anxiety on Thursday.

MAY

(April 21—May 20)

Life flows easily and pleasantly this week; new work makes rapid progress. Next week-end should bring advantageous link-up with a comparative stranger, or gains in legal business.

JUNE

(May 21—June 20)

Financially a somewhat anxious week; be careful you don't overspend. Substantial backing from relatives or good fortune connected with land or houses. Mid-week might bring speculative "luck."

JULY

(June 21—July 20)

The person most closely connected with you gets the "plums" this week. Better to concentrate on further joint efforts rather than following up personal ventures. Today and Saturday propitious for travel, publicity, new contracts.

AUGUST

(July 21—August 21)

The more you get about, enter into social life, the better this week. Casual encounters or meetings with old acquaintances prove fertile in new ideas. Some prospect of "gambler's luck" end of week.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22—September 22)

Make this a week of new schemes and lay your plans carefully for the next six months. Worth while falling in with ideas of older and more responsible people in your circle. It should be possible to make good use of associations formed some years ago.

OCTOBER

(September 23—October 23)

Better forget your troubles and enjoy life this week. New business schemes would run an uneven course. Better shelve anything important until later in September. Unexpected gains through property or family investment late in week.

NOVEMBER

(October 24—November 22)

Be content to mark time, keep clear of any complicated enterprise until late in the week. Saturday is likely to bring a serious clash with a business associate or fellow worker, but substantial profits in an important scheme.

DECEMBER

(November 23—December 20)

It should be possible to "dig yourself in" over a new business venture this week. Better get contracts, agreements settled as quickly as possible. Criticism likely from associates and relatives but worth while going ahead with your own ideas.

SUNDAY AUGUST 28: FOR MOST OF US: Worth while making an effort to reconcile conflicting elements in the family or old and new friends. Make plans now for the next eight to 12 weeks. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Midnight blue, 8, Dark Sapphire.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: The outlook generally is a propitious one this year. You have a good chance of success both in new ventures and in schemes that date from pre-war days. Indeed, the more you revive past associations and make good use of past experiences, the better.

You will probably see the way clear to utilise successes of eight to 10 years ago in 1949/50. Or you get new light upon a longstanding problem and clear up difficulties that have perplexed you for many years. If engaged in a profession or in serious study, you are likely to get just that touch of inspiration that brings success.

Financially all's well provided you are not in a hurry but content to let good work bring its own reward. Before the end of the year you will have gained full recognition for what you do and your prestige will have increased correspondingly.

There is the prospect of legacies in the near future or; failing that, some profitable deal in land or houses. Old friends and much older people will be helpful in many ways and it looks as though you will inaugurate an important new scheme through their help and goodwill of one of them.

You will probably have to travel this year whether you like it or not, but at the same time a settling in process begins at home. Your journeys should enable you to make life more comfortable in 1950. Also, if unmarried, travel may result in marriage to a much older but probably distinguished partner.

MONDAY AUGUST 29: FOR MOST OF US: Better arrange anything that matters late in the day; morning hours are likely to be chaotic. In late afternoon daring tactics bring substantial profits. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Scarlet, 9, Ruby.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: You may feel somewhat discouraged by the trend of events during the next few months. Between now and November much may happen to disturb your peace of mind and to make business conditions difficult.

But a little nearer Christmas affairs change for the better in a rather sensational fashion. Difficulties that appeared unsurmountable at first clear up without much effort on your part. Also, the way will be open for some daring but money-making scheme in the New Year.

If you find yourself at variance with your employer or people in authority, be patient for a month or two, but at the same time plan for changes. Round about Christmas and the New Year would be a propitious time to start out on your own or to make some far-reaching change in occupation. Though reshuffles may seem risky and even dangerous they would bring not only financial gains but increased self-confidence and poise.

Whatever you do you can hardly escape adventures and perhaps a little danger this year. One emergency after another is likely to occur both in your working life and in your leisure hours. You will have many opportunities of showing how you act to trying situations, and whether or not you have a good "nerve".

If still unmarried, there are interesting times ahead, marriage may follow very speedily on a new friendship. If already settled, new friendships do much to brighten life and for yourself and your family, and the household will be enlarged by the arrival of a male relative.

TUESDAY AUGUST 30: FOR MOST OF US: Unsuitable for major changes but fortunate for minor reshuffles. Be sociable: Much good might come of informal gatherings, introductions. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pale grey, 5, Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins a year in which you could be happy and comfortable providing you are not too ambitious. If you are planning important changes or a big business "drive" you may be disappointed. In personal life too, it will be as well to be content with small pleasures and to make no attempt to change the main trend of your existence.

You are sure to have some worries about older people and possibly about their health. Family responsibilities will prove a burden throughout most of the year and particularly about Christmas time. You may not be able to avoid contact with older people but such dealing would bring little happiness or good fortune.

On the other hand, there is much to be gained by fresh link ups, by trying out new ideas, by dealings with people from overseas. Although it would not be wise to travel in 1949/50 it should be possible to plan journeys in about 18 months time.

Better take care of your health as well as exerting yourself on behalf of older people. Nerves and digestion will probably suffer through worry between now and the New Year. But there is compensation in new interests and consequently better health. In some engrossing venture in which you are likely to immerse yourself between Christmas and Easter. If unmarried, put thoughts of matrimony out of your head for the time being. In any event family circumstances will probably be against your leaving home just now. If already settled, be prepared to take on fresh burdens both for your own family and for in-laws. But children in the household will flourish this year and bring much happiness.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 31: FOR MOST OF US: Forget everyday worries and enjoy yourself, much to be gained by following up new acquaintanceships, trying some form of entertainment. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins a year quite out of the ordinary. Your usual Sun-Virgo common sense will not avail you much in 1949/50. Instead you will find yourself taking unusual risks, plunging into romantic adventures and friendships, taking an unconventional and unorthodox view of life.

If endowed with any creative talent or some religious or occult gift, it will be an outstanding year. Near Christmas time and again in the New Year you will have remarkable experiences and unexpected success. But however prosaic your occupation this will be a period of stimulation, adventures, and queer "hunches."

Don't worry about finances, you will manage comfortably throughout the year. In some instances, "gamblers' luck" may bring sensational results particularly during March and May 1950.

It is a good year for travel and you may find yourself on the sea at very short notice. If you stay at home, then you will have much to do with people from abroad, and some link up is made that will have important results over the next seven years.

In your personal life it will be a year to remember; however, settled you may feel, new interests and romance comes into your life this year. Also, however matter of fact you may be by temperament, you will find yourself taking an idealistic view of people, probably work hard for some philanthropic movement. Friends of your own sex play an important part in changes that befall you in 1949/50.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 1: FOR MOST OF US: Unsettled day; even routine schemes take an unexpected turn. Don't risk important moves. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pale Yellow, 1, Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Better face the fact that this coming year is likely to be an unsettled and restless period in your life. There are indications not of serious setbacks but of ever-growing discontent and uncertainty. It will be foolish to plan too far ahead; wait and see what happens during the next few months before you make momentous decisions.

In the next few months you will have to reshape your ideas about many people and about many matters. Surprises—some of them pleasant, others unwelcome, will keep you on the alert between now and Easter. About Christmas time especially you will have to change your opinion of people you have been closely associated with for years past.

Income will probably keep up a good level, but you will find that you are spending more than usual on travel, or relatives and family business. Though journeys may bring little "luck" in 1949/50 you will have to move about a good deal on one scheme or another. December, February and June are likely to be very unsettled months.

But though your methodical Sun-Virgo nature will probably chafe at the constant upsets and surprises this year, you will find that you have gained enormously in experience by the time you reach your next birthday. Events of 1949/50 will shake you out of your groove, force you to revise your way of thinking and possibly your way of living.

A break with someone close to you seems inevitable; a brother or sister is the most likely person. All you can do in an event of this kind is to be patient; it will be foolish to hope for a reconciliation too soon. Compensating happiness will probably come through a new friendship with someone of unusual history or strange occupation.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 2: FOR MOST OF US: Go ahead with anything that concerns property or the family. A good day for serious business and steady work but unsuitable for tete-a-tetes or social life. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Soft grey, 8, Jade.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: From the point of view of steady progress and financial success this is likely to be a most propitious year. By the time you reach your 1950 birthday you should have established yourself more securely, have some useful assets in hand. If you plan wisely this year, financial burdens should be lifted for some time to come.

It is a most excellent period for buying land or houses or for anything to do with property. You will realise to the full the value of family connections and influence. Older people will back you in anything that you attempt and you should be able to carry through a difficult but fairly profitable deal in co-operation with an older woman.

Certain changes will be necessary early in the year. After that you begin a settling down process that will last for some years. A return to scenes of childhood or youth is likely or alternatively you take up some occupation or study in which you were interested eight to sixteen years ago.

Travel would be under unpropitious stars, don't go anywhere by sea if you can help it. Be wary too about speculation of any kind. If you have surplus cash put it into "gilt edged" or property.

In your personal life there is a period of disillusionment ahead; a woman friend or relative may do you a bad turn or bring unhappiness. But in anything to do with family matters, all's well. If now unmarried, a link up is very probable with a former sweetheart or a much older partner.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3: FOR MOST OF US: A stormy but potentially fortunate day. Good for cash deals, legal business, ambitious social scheme. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Royal purple, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: From a financial angle this year should be all that you could wish. Throughout 1949/50 you will make money easily, achieve social ambitions, lead a comfortable and secure existence. But at the same time a stormy atmosphere will prevail and you will find yourself at variance both with strangers and dear friends.

This period of prosperity should begin almost at once, but reach its height about January or February. In spite of keen business competition you will succeed in making money and also add to your reputation. You may have to face up to hostility among fellow workers and overcome some attempt to bring disrepute upon you.

Don't neglect social opportunities. It will pay you to keep in with conventional but prosperous friends. Throughout the year also you will probably find yourself in the good graces either of your employer or of some person of influence. Associations of this kind would prove very fortunate but would also bring much criticism upon your head.

Health should be good throughout the year but be a little more careful about mishaps, particularly when you are bent on pleasure. Travel will not be particularly propitious this year, your health and your income will be better if you stay in your usual surroundings.

If now single, an advantageous marriage is likely early in 1950. If already settled, there is much to be gained by renewing family connections. Whether married or single, a new friendship proves unexpectedly important and mentally stimulating.

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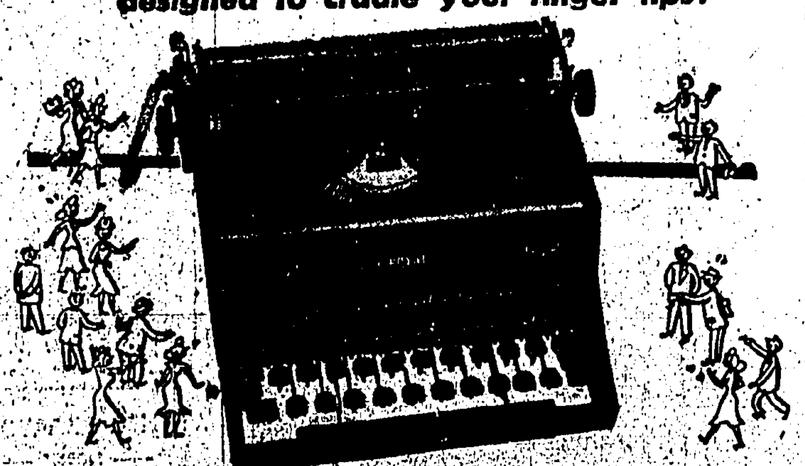

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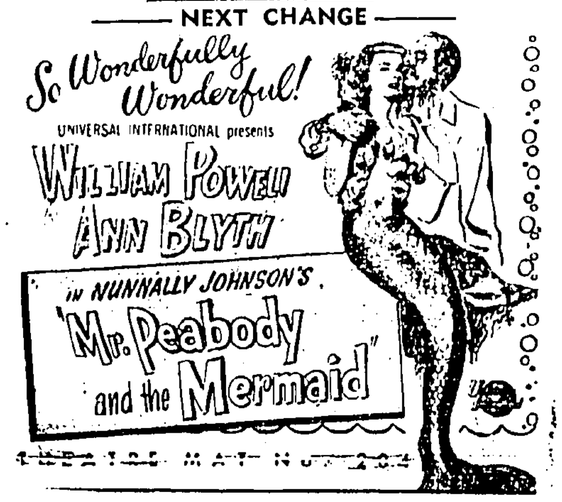

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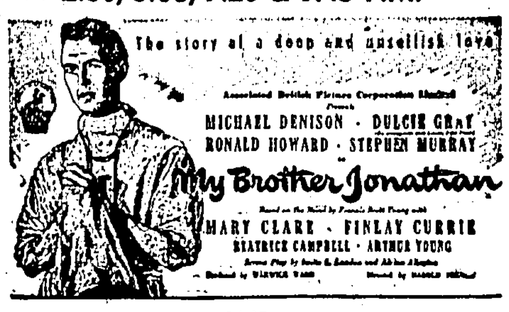

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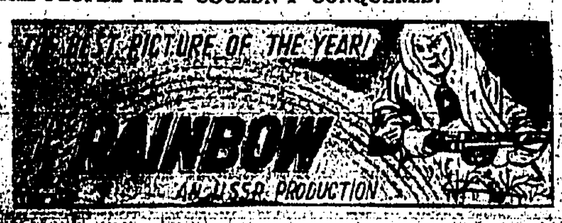

BRITISH STUDENT LOCKED UP BY RUSSIAN GUARDS

Helsinki, August 26.

Norman Greene, British technical college student, declared tonight that he was locked in a dark room for 10 hours on being seized by Russian guards when he wandered into Soviet territory from Finland.

Greene, who was handed back to Finnish authorities by the Russians yesterday—after almost two months' captivity—said that Soviet frontier guards took him for a spy.

He was on a cycling trip with three friends from an international students' camp when he disappeared.

He told a reporter, "We meant to ask a guard if we could pass along the actual frontier line. I went ahead of the others and left a note saying, 'Going over the border.'

"Suddenly a Russian soldier came rushing up with a sub-machine gun, shouting, "Stoy" (Halt). He fired a shot in the air and five other soldiers came up.

"They searched me and took my belongings—a box of matches, three pence half-penny, and two Finnish marks.

"They blindfolded me and brought me to a hut.

"There I was locked in a dark room for 10 hours.

"Next morning I was again blindfolded and taken about 30 miles in a truck. When the scarf was removed from my eyes I found myself in a sort of prison barracks.

Interrogation

"The interrogation started the next morning at five o'clock, first by a woman who spoke English badly and then by another who spoke fluently.

"I was asked everything about myself from the time of my birth.

"Sometimes they would talk politics for half an hour and then suddenly shoot a question at me.

"I told them I was a member of the Young Communist League for a short time, but was now non-political. This seemed to make a good impression.

"After three weeks of interrogation I was left alone in my cell, and the great boredom began.

"I was given half an hour's exercise every day behind a stockade which had been specially built round the barracks.

"I amused myself in my cell by catching mice.

"I got three.

"The guards gave me an English-Russian dictionary and some magazines.

"I was allowed to write two letters to my parents but I do not know if they arrived.

"I was not allowed to write to the British Embassy in Moscow.

"The Russians said they would contact the Embassy themselves, but when I asked for results they said there was no reply.

"Yesterday I was taken to the border without being blindfolded, and handed over to the Finns. Both the Russians and the Finns treated me well."

The British Consulate in Helsinki is arranging his passage home, but he will have to stay in Helsinki until the Finns have prosecuted him for illegally crossing the border.—Reuter.

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A.M.
10.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Daily Programme Summary.
10.02—Service for the Forces.—Conducted by Rev. Donald Young, R.N. (Studio).
10.17—Haydn Trio in G Major. Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.
10.30—"Music In Miniature"—A Programme of Continuous Music. (BBCTS).
11.00—Morning Service from the Studio. Conducted by the Rev. F. E. Weaver. (Missions To Seamen).
11.45—"Time For Music"—BBC Midland Light Orchestra Conducted by Gilbert Vinter. (BBCTS).
P.M.
12.15—The Glasgow Orpheus Choir. Conducted by Sir H. Robertson.
12.30—Sports Results.
12.40—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
12.42—Variety with the Art Van Damme Quintet.
1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25—Interlude.
1.30—A Popular Concert.
2.00—Close Down.
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling" Programme Summary.
6.02—"Forces Hour"—Presented by Joan Blackburn (Studio).
7.00—Weekly News Letter. (London Relay).
7.15—"Looking Ahead"—A Review of the Week's Programmes. (Studio).
7.30—"Dance Music" By the New Concert Orchestra.
8.00—World News And News Analysis (London Relay).
8.15—"We Sing For You"—Rina Gigli (Soprano) and Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).
8.30—"Great Expectations" By Charles Dickens. Adapted by Mabel Constanduros and Howard Agg. Part 7—The Benefactor. (BBCTS).
9.00—"From the Editorials." (London Relay).
9.10—Weather Report.
9.11—Interlude.
9.15—Symphony Concert. Beethoven Symphony No. 9 in D Minor, Op. 125 ("Choral") Leopold Stokowski conducting the Philadelphia Orchestra with Eugene Leweroth (Baritone) Robert Betts (Tenor) Agnes Davis, Ruth Carhart & Chorus.
10.30—"Sweet Serenade"—Peter Yorke and his Orchestra, with Paula Green and Steve Conway (Vocal) (BBCTS).
11.00—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).
11.15—Weather Report and Summary of News.
11.20—The Epilogue: H.H.C. Singers—Reader: Anthony Craxton. (BBCTS).
11.28—Close Down.

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Executive Orders Nullified

Manila, August 26.

The Supreme Court last night nullified two presidential executive orders issued in the exercise of emergency powers, but did not revoke the emergency powers themselves.

The Tribunal also reached a "no judgment" vote on the legality or illegality of two other presidential executive orders recently issued by President Quirino.

Five Justices, including Chief Justice Manuel Moran, voted against the emergency powers which the defunct National Assembly delegated to the President prior to the outbreak of the Pacific war, while four Justices voted to uphold the powers, and one abstained. Since a majority of six is required by law, the result was there was no judgment against the emergency powers and they remain.

In Baguio, President Quirino had no comment on the decision but was reported to be pleased. Petitions for revocation of the emergency powers and of executive orders issued under those powers have been filed by political leaders of the opposition.

The Supreme Court by a vote of nine to nil nullified executive orders on control of house rentals and on export control. One Justice abstained. On the validity of two other executive orders — one providing a national budget and another appropriating $3,000,000 for next November's election expenses—the Court reached no judgment.

Mr. Quirino had issued these last two orders because of Congress' failure to make the necessary appropriations when it adjourned last May. A special session of Congress may be called shortly. Justice Pedro Tuason, with whom four Justices concurred, said the emergency powers act became inoperative when Congress met in a regular session after the war, in 1946.—United Press.

GUESTS OF INDIAN MISSION

Berlin, August 26.

Professor Ernst Reuter, Lord Mayor of Western Berlin, and his deputy, Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, were among the guests at a reception given tonight by the Indian Military Mission in Berlin.

Major-General Kub Chand, head of the Mission, and Mrs. Chand, personally welcomed the visitors. These included prominent Berlin artists, writers and scientists.—Reuter.

Rediffusion

H.K.T.
A.M.
7.00—Morning Music.
8.00—News & Weather Report.
8.15—Lazy Day.
9.00—Harmony Hall.
9.15—Sunday Variety.
10.00—Keyboard Concert.
10.30—Interval Signal.
10.32—Church Service.
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P.M.
12.00—Dance Music.
12.30—Sports Results.
12.40—Interval Signal.
12.42—Lunch Time Music.
1.15—News and Weather Report.
1.30—Popular Concerts.
2.00—Afternoon Musicale.
4.00—Curtain Calls.
4.30—Tea Time Tunes.
5.00—Charm Time.
5.30—Musical Hall Varieties.
6.00—Interval Signal.
6.02—Forces's Hour.
6.45—The Ovaltiney Programme.
7.00—Listen To Leibert (Gilman).
7.15—Laughter On Record (Vic (adaptation).
7.30—The Qantas Programme "The Story Of Flight.
7.45—The Super-Cola Programme.
8.00—B.B.C. News.
8.15—Summer Serenade.
8.45—The Ovaltine Programme.
9.00—Blue Skies (Jardine's Airways Dept).
9.15—Symphony Concert.
10.30—Time For Music.
11.00—Stardust.
11.15—Date With Dreamland.
Midnight Close Down.

Programme To Aid Children

Lake Success, August 26.

The United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund announced today that a US$750,000 programme was being carried out to aid children of India and a similar $250,000 programme was being set up for Pakistan.

It said the Indian programme covered an anti-tuberculosis campaign, malaria control, health education, child feeding, demonstration projects and scholarships for doctors studying child welfare.

It added that 400,000 pounds of canned milk had been shipped to refugee camps in the East Punjab, Kashmir and Delhi. More than 200,000 children had been tested for tuberculosis in Madras, Bombay, Baroda and Amritsar, and work would be extended into the United Provinces on September 1. Those found free of tuberculosis were being inoculated with BCG serum.—United Press.

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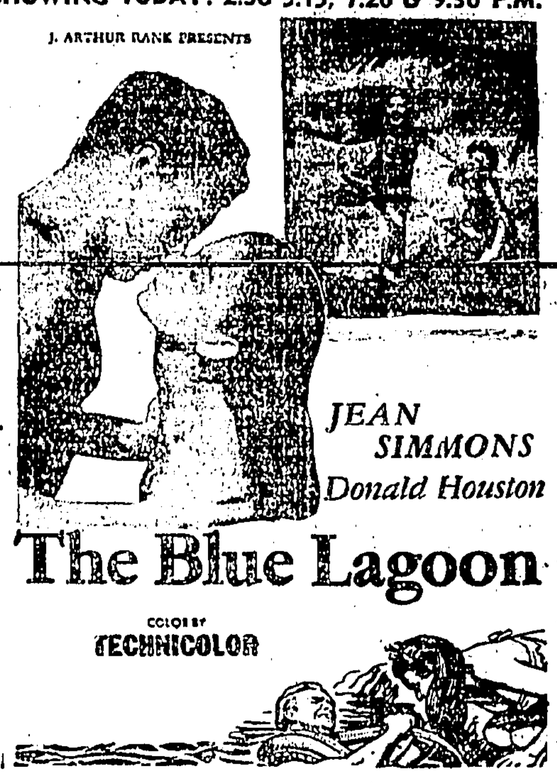

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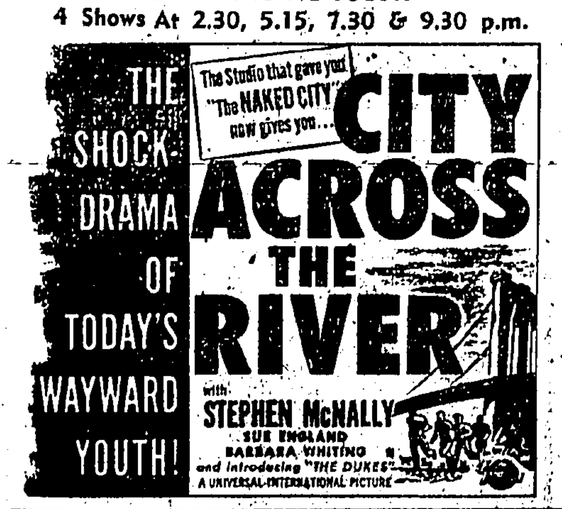

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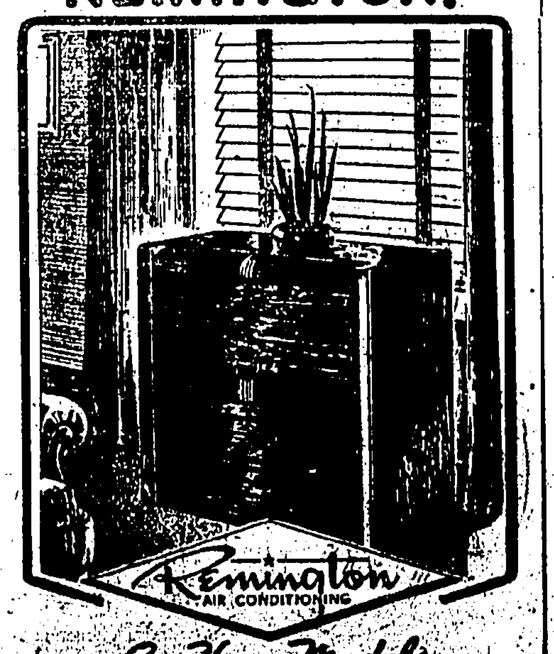

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"Hope you don't mind my telling you this."

I examined myself quickly. Shirt fairly clean; buttons slotted; tie straight.

"No," I said, "what's the matter?"

"That photograph of you last week."

"Oh," I said, "the convict one."

"That's right. Tell me, was that really the best picture they could find?"

"The best?" I said, puzzled. "No, I suppose they could have taken one of me with a ribbon in my hair. Or even," I added, "in a bathing-suit at Morecambe."

He laughed, in an uncertain way. "Might have been better if they had," he said. "The one they printed made you look as if you'd been inside."

"But I have been inside," I said.

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He looked shocked. "You've been in *jail?*" he said. "For bigamy?"

"Not exactly bigamy," I said. "I once attended a public ball at a watering resort in Southern Ireland, on the occasion of a regatta. I remember asking the sergeant of the local police for a cell."

"That's when the photograph was taken?" he said.

"No," I told him, "there was no conviction. I squared the case with stout, but I don't think they'd have got me in any event. It was mistaken identity."

"I see." He examined me with an opaque look in his eye.

"Are you all right now?" I asked him "Everything straight?"

"Well, no," he said, "I still don't see why they had to use a photograph like that."

"The thing," I said, in a low voice, "had a humorous intent."

His brow furrowed. "Oh," he said, "it was *funny.*" He considered the issue from this new and staggering angle.

"I see," he said. He made a sudden business of looking at his watch. "Look, I'm awfully sorry —got to meet a man——"

I saw him looking at me in a speculative way from the door, and then he vanished.

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I'd have lopped his head off, low down behind the ears, if it hadn't been for the fact that in the interests of strict justice I would have had to do the same for quite a number of other people, and, with my record, it mightn't have been safe.

Observe the train of events. Letter from a lady in New York asking me what I'm going to do

about legalising *our* daughter's birth certificate. I've never heard of her, or her daughter.

To establish my identity I print two photographs, full-face and side, doing my best to look like a convict, and tossing in some numbers for good measure. I'm supposed to look like a convict, see, and I'm wearing braces, and no tie. Had to borrow the braces actually, because in the ordinary way I lash up my jodhpurs with string.

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What happens? This character we've already wrestled with wants to know why the Editor couldn't find a better picture!

And that is far from all. A postcard:

"DEAR SIR,

With reference to the photograph which appeared in your column my wife says you've cut it out of True Detective Stories. *She says she thinks you've used a picture of Micky Forraro, who was electrocuted in Sing-Sing in 1932. I say it's you. Would you please set our minds at rest about this matter.*

Yours sincerely....".

And another one:

"DEAR JEO.

Glad to see your going straight again. Remember you was next door to me in Parkhurst. Seeing as I'm down on my luck please send £2 (two pounds) for old time's sake.

Your ever...."

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Both these communications appeared to me to be genuine requests for help.

But the last incident was the worst of all. We commuters were waiting for our train. One of us has contracted the unfortunate habit of cutting out my piece and passing it round the carriage on Monday mornings. We were joined by a commuter I hadn't met before. Mr. Wahwah, or something —a train was passing through at the time. The commuter with the cuttings produced the contribution for July 31st, and handed it to Mr. Wahwah.

Mr. Wahwah looked at it for some time, even examining the photograph.

"Don't read it myself," he said —"I like Dr. Jond." There was a polite but disinterested look on his face. "Not a bad likeness, though," he added, as an afterthought. For a moment I contemplated asking him what he imagined the significance of the numbers underneath the pictures to be, but then I felt too tired.

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I have, in fact, learnt my lesson. From now on, if there are any more photographs, they will be in the accepted tradition. The author on the inside of the book-jacket. Finger along the cheek, pipe in mouth, polo jersey, and a light shining through an aureole of rather tangled hair.

Even if I have to hire the hair myself I think it will probably be worth while.

Initiation

Owing to the presence of a milk-drinking, acquiescent guest we have been able to leave the child behind and pay our first visit to the village public-house —the focal point of rural life.

The difficulty is to know where to go. The public-bar? It may be for men only. It contains two female railway porters already, but perhaps they don't count. The darkish place at the back with the wickerwork chairs, and the notice over the mantelpiece calling our attention to a gymkhana next Saturday afternoon? Perhaps it's only for members of the local horse-breeders' association. The room in the front, with the Russian billiard table? This looks dangerously empty. It may not be licenced. More than likely it's provided as a concession to teetotal Russian billiard players.

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In the end the landlord, as uncertain and as embarrassed as we are ourselves, shows us into a parlour with French windows opening out into the garden. This room is beautifully furnished, with polished tables and a variety of chaises-longues. It bears no resemblance whatever to a place in which you can be served with drinks. Indeed, I suspect it to be the landlord's bedroom.

I don't like the look, in the least of the chaise-longue in the far corner. But her we are provided with our refreshments, and we drink them in furtive silence, holding the glasses in our laps lest the smallest drop fall upon the carpet.

Meanwhile from the Russian billiard room, a cheerful uproar arises. Our neighbours are beginning to arrive. This apparently is the saloon bar, and the hub of the social life. But we don't like to leave the parlour. The landlord may think we do not care for his furniture.

It looks to me, now, as if it's going to take us three or four weeks to join the others. We'll certainly have to go back to the parlour tomorrow.

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Colony's Defence

WAH KIU YAT PO: Movement of military personnel and equipment and the cropping up of military camps in the New Territories are reminiscent of the eve of the outbreak of the Pacific War. The question is, will the current hostilities in China extend to Hong Kong after the fall of Canton to the Communists?

Determined to defend Hong Kong, Great Britain has sent considerable reinforcements to the Colony. The policy of the Chinese Communists towards Hong Kong is one that will be closely watched.

From the Communists' point of view, Hong Kong is a liaison centre for trade and commerce with the outside world. It is, therefore, logical that the relations between the Chinese Communists and the Hong Kong authorities should be friendly and peaceful.

It must be noted, however, that the Chinese Communist Party is an international organisation spreading beyond the frontiers of China. Its policy-making body is not at Peiping but in Moscow.

It can be safely assumed then that any change in the situation here will depend on the international policy of the Soviet Union.

Provided Russia pursues the same defensive policy as she has been doing in Eastern Europe, the Hong Kong situation will remain unchanged. If Russia tries to take advantage of the Chinese Communist victories, Hong Kong will become a centre of a cold war between Russia and the Western Democracies.

It is, however, unlikely that Russia will sponsor aggressive action against Hong Kong, particularly in view of Britain's determination to defend the Colony and America's warning against any action against Hong Kong.

Hong Kong is in a more favourable position than the Chinese Communists, who do not possess an air force or a navy. British forces here with their modern equipment can easily cope with any situation arising out of the civil war in China.

The only thing which may disturb the situation here is the possible outbreak of internal disorder instigated by Communist elements.

Hong Kong will be the testing ground for the future policy of the Chinese Communists towards the Western (democracies.

Civil War

TA KUNG PAO: The liberation of Foochow and other points along the Fukien coast and the Communists' attack on Chusan group of islands are significant developments in China's internal strife.

Chiang Kai-shek and his clique are fully aware that they have lost a foothold on the China mainland. They believe that by retreating to their Taiwan stronghold they will be able to hold out until their ambitious dreams materialise.

Their big headache has just begun as a result of the war of liberation having reached the shores of Fukien.

Chiang's plan is based on the assumption that the Communists would concentrate on the battle for South China. He believes that with their hands fully occupied in liberating South China and South West China, the Communists will for the time being leave Taiwan alone.

He has failed to fully appreciate the urgency with which the People's Liberation Army regards the liberation of the people in Fukien and Taiwan.

The Liberation Army continues to advance. From the shores of Fukien, it can see Taiwan. This achievement is no less important than liberating South and South West China.

Litter Campaign

NEW LIFE EVENING POST: It is the duty of every citizen to keep the city clean. The authorities are deeply concerned about the dirty condition of the streets in the Colony and have started an anti-litter campaign in which green litter containers have been placed at convenient spots.

The public has been urged to make use of these containers in which they are expected to dispose of tram tickets, empty cigarette packages and other similar waste which is usually discarded in the streets.

Maintenance of public health in such an overcrowded place like Hong Kong is indeed a problem. And to shoulder the Sanitary Department with the full responsibility of the task is not considered fair.

The public is urged to appreciate the importance of keeping the city clean and to realise the importance of a clean city to the individual. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel to protect ourselves in general.

Economic Reconstruction

WEN WEI PAO: In the years when the industrialisation of China was the popular slogan, the questions of capital and technical talent were regarded by many as of vital importance.

As a result, the questions were given preference to other problems.

The reactionary Kuomintang Government's dependence on American aid created a common fallacy that unless American aid is forthcoming economic reconstruction in China is impossible.

This concept is deeply rooted in the minds of the Chinese. Therefore, incorrect and entirely false conclusions are drawn when comparing New China with the Kuomintang China.

China's 470,000,000 population will be the unlimited capital of New China. If everyone works diligently and increases products, if drones are eliminated and if efficiency is increased, the wealth of China's new society will swell to rid fears of capital shortage.

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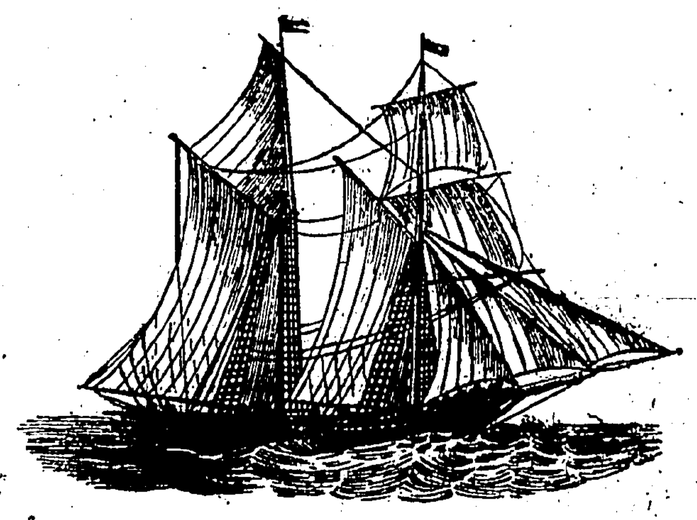

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U.S. Submarine Explodes, Sinks In Arctic Waters; Seven Men Lose Lives

Washington, August 26.

The United States Navy submarine Cochino exploded and sank early today while on training manoeuvres in Arctic waters. All persons except one man were saved from the Cochino before it sank, but six men were lost overboard from a sister submarine during rescue operations in stormy seas.

The rescuing submarine is proceeding with survivors to the Norwegian port of Hammerfest, the nearest port where medical assistance can be given to the injured.

The Navy did not say how many were injured or the extent of their injuries.

The only fatality aboard the Cochino, whose normal complement is 85 officers and men, was a civilian technician named Robert Philo. The other six victims were members of the crew of the submarine Tusk which had pulled alongside the Cochino. These men were swept from the deck of the Tusk by heavy seas during the operations.

First details said an explosion aboard the Cochino occurred and was followed by fire. The Navy said the Cochino and Tusk, together with the submarines Toro and Corsair, left the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, on July 18 for a trans-atlantic training cruise and an informal visit to Londonderry, Ireland. They were engaged in cold water training exercises in the Arctic at the time of the accident.

The remainder of the Cochino's crew are aboard the Tusk.

The Navy did not give the exact location of the catastrophe, but said Hammerfest was the nearest port where medical assistance could be given the injured.

First Loss Since War

The 1,525-ton Cochino, the first U.S. submarine lost since World War II, was built in August 1945. The Cochino and Tusk were ships of the Balao class and were converted to "guppy" snorkel submarines before completion.

The Cochino's skipper, Lieutenant-Commander R. Benitez of Puerto Rico, was executive officer of the submarine Dace when it sank a Japanese cruiser in the second battle of the Philippines.

Navy experts said the blast probably came from a spark which ignited highly volatile fumes from the Cochino's batteries.

Commander E. Shepard of naval headquarters said: "If the waves were big enough to sweep men off the Tusk, I don't see how they were able to get all survivors off the Cochino. If you have to abandon a sub in heavy seas, I cannot think of a harder thing than to get aboard another submarine."

The normal complement of the Cochino is 85 officers and men, but a Navy spokesman said eight officers and 70 enlisted men were aboard when the submarine pulled from New London.

The training cruise was part of the post-war Navy programme of indoctrinating men of its submarine fleet in cold water operations.

The Cochino's battery room where the explosion occurred contained an undisclosed number of batteries each four feet high and about one and a half feet wide. Commander Shepard said when the batteries were being charged they gave off hydrogen, which became highly explosive at concentrations of three per cent or more.

He supposed the Cochino was recharging batteries at the time of the blast and had surfaced.

Arrives At Hammerfest

The American submarine Tusk arrived in Hammerfest today after carrying out a daring rescue operation in Arctic waters to save the crew of the explosion-wrecked submarine Cochino.

Five crew members of the Tusk were treated at Hammerfest general hospital for injuries. One of the men was said to be seriously injured, but the others had sustained only slight injuries in the explosion some 150 miles off the Norwegian coast, in Arctic waters.

An American surgeon was reported to be en route to Hammerfest by plane from Oslo to aid in treating the wounded.—United Press.

Germany May Gain Assembly Admittance

Strasbourg, August 26.

Germany's chances of being admitted into the Council of Europe before the next meeting of the European Assembly have risen since the present session began, in the opinion of informed quarters here.

It is believed that the British Government would raise no objection to an early move to bring her in.

M. Paul-Henri Spaak, President of the European Assembly, give it as a personal view yesterday that Germany would be taking part in the Council of Europe before long.

There is speculation in Strasbourg on what action, if any, will be taken on the suggestion made by Mr. Winston Churchill that a special session of the Assembly should meet next January with German representatives present.

This may well lead to a discussion on Germany's membership in the General Affairs Committee, now tacking a heavy agenda in private sittings.

But even if a proposal for admitting Germany emerged from the Committee and was adopted by the Assembly with a two-thirds majority the final decision would still rest with the Committee of Ministers.

Under the Charter of the Council of Europe the Foreign Ministers alone have the right to admit new members and in the case of Germany might well decide to do so without receiving a recommendation from the Assembly.—Reuter.

BAO DAI INFORMS POPE

Saigon, August 25.

Bao Dai, head of the State of Vietnam, today sent a letter to Pope Pius XIII officially informing him of the existence of independent Vietnam and of Bao Dai's Government, M. Nguyen Phan Long, Foreign Minister of Vietnam, announced here today.

Similar letters were sent last week to the heads of the States of India, Pakistan, Australia, New Burma, Siam and the Philippines, but not China.—Reuter.

RIVALS FOR ECAFE MEMBERSHIP

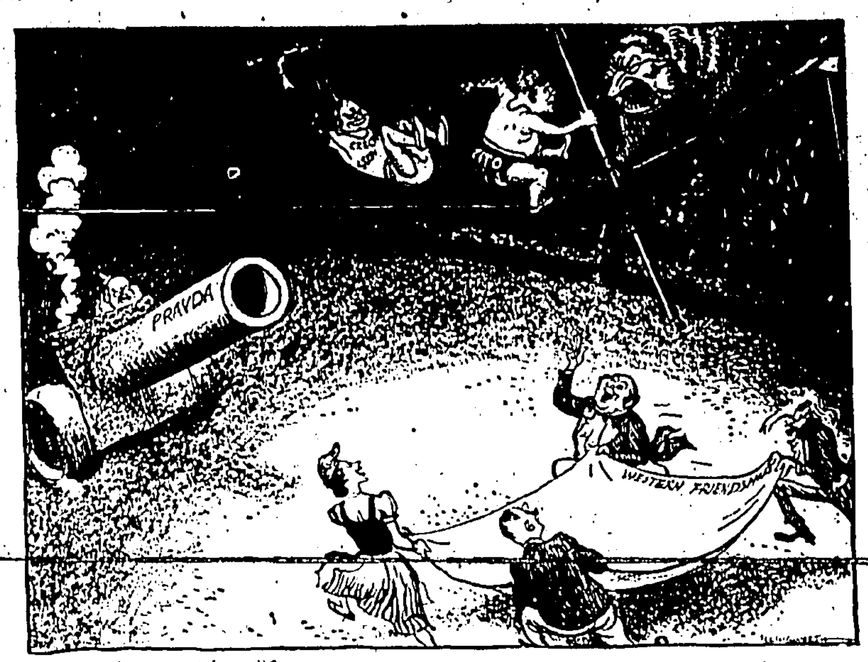
Saigon, August 25.

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE) will have before it applications for associate membership from both the Vietnam Government of Bao Dai, ex-Emperor of Annam, and the rival Government of Dr. Ho Chi-minh, Vietminh (Nationalist) leader, when it meets in Singapore in October.

"A request for admission of Vietnam to ECAFE as an associate member will be sent immediately to the Secretary-General of that organisation," M. Nguyen Phan Long, Bao Dai's Foreign Minister, said here today.

The same request was made by the Ho Chi-minh Government when ECAFE last met at Lapstone, in Australia.

The request was deemed "receivable in form" but action on it was postponed until the next meeting.—Reuter.



THE TIGHTROPE WALKER

Former Shoe-Shine Boy Makes Fortune In U.S.

Washington, August 26.

Testimony that a former shoe-shine boy made bank deposits totalling £29,902 during a five-year period in which he said his income was only £7,500 was given to a Senate Investigation Committee today.

The committee is probing alleged peddling influence in the U.S. government.

The former shoe-shine boy is John Maragon, a Greek born immigrant. He is a major figure in the committee's inquiry into the activities of so called "five percenters."

A five percenter is a person who for a fee—usually of five per cent—helps business men in their dealings with the government.

Carmine Belline, accountant for the sub-committee, gave evidence today about Maragon's bank deposits.

Maragon was attached in 1945 to the allied elections mission sent to Greece.

Dr. Henry F. Grady who headed the commission, advised the Senate Committee by a memorandum that Maragon was a nuisance and said he would have discharged him had not the State Department beaten him to it.

Refuses To Answer

Maragon summoned back to the witness stand today appeared with a lawyer and refused to answer questions, "on the ground that my answers might incriminate me."

Maragon never held any official position in Washington.

However, the committee received testimony that as late as last June, army officials were under the impression that he was acting as a liaison man between the White House and the office of the Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson.

Maragon has said he is a close friend of Major-General Harry Vaughan, Truman's military aide, and the committee has several letters written by Vaughan concerning Maragon.

One of Vaughan's letters said that Truman was personally interested in aiding Maragon to get a passage to Italy in 1945 in an army transport service plane on a business trip.

Grady said that Maragon became a source of embarrassment to him and the mission.

"This statement that he reported to me cases of excessive drinking and association with Communists on the part of members, of the mission is absolutely untrue. The only person's behaviour I discussed with him was his own . . ."

Won't Talk

Maragon from the witness stand would not talk at all.

He would not even say when asked whether he testified before the committee on July 28, behind closed doors. He did.

The committee has since disclosed that Maragon then said that he had never received money for negotiating business with government agencies and that his income is 1945-46 and 47 was only six to seven thousand dollars.

Belline testified that it appeared that Maragon was receiving $1,000 monthly pay from the Albert Varley Perfume Co., at the same time that he was employed in 1945 as a member of the American mission to Greece.

Maragon's government pay was $5,600 annually.

After a fruitless session with Maragon the committee today recessed until Tuesday when it expects to hear Vaughan.—Associated Press.

BRITISH SLOOP MISSING

San Juan, August 26.

The Tenth Naval District announced today that the British sloop Alexandrine was reported missing West of Guadeloupe with five persons aboard since Thursday.

Four Air Force planes from Ramax Field, Puerto Rico, began a search today. The Navy Search and Rescue vessel, USS Opportune, which is visiting Guadeloupe was ordered to stand by to join in the search which was begun yesterday by a French submarine chaser.—United Press.

Amethyst's Ensign For Church

Plymouth, August 25.

The white ensign which the frigate Amethyst flew during her escape down the Yangtse is to be placed in the church of St. Nicholas in the Royal Naval barracks, Devonport.

Amethyst, a Devonport manned ship, will be flying the ensign when she arrives in Plymouth on November 1.

A signal from Amethyst, now undergoing repairs in Hong Kong, expressed delight that the flag be handed over to Devonport for all time.—Reuter.

GOODWILL MISSION TO S. AMERICA

Bogota, Colombia: August 26.

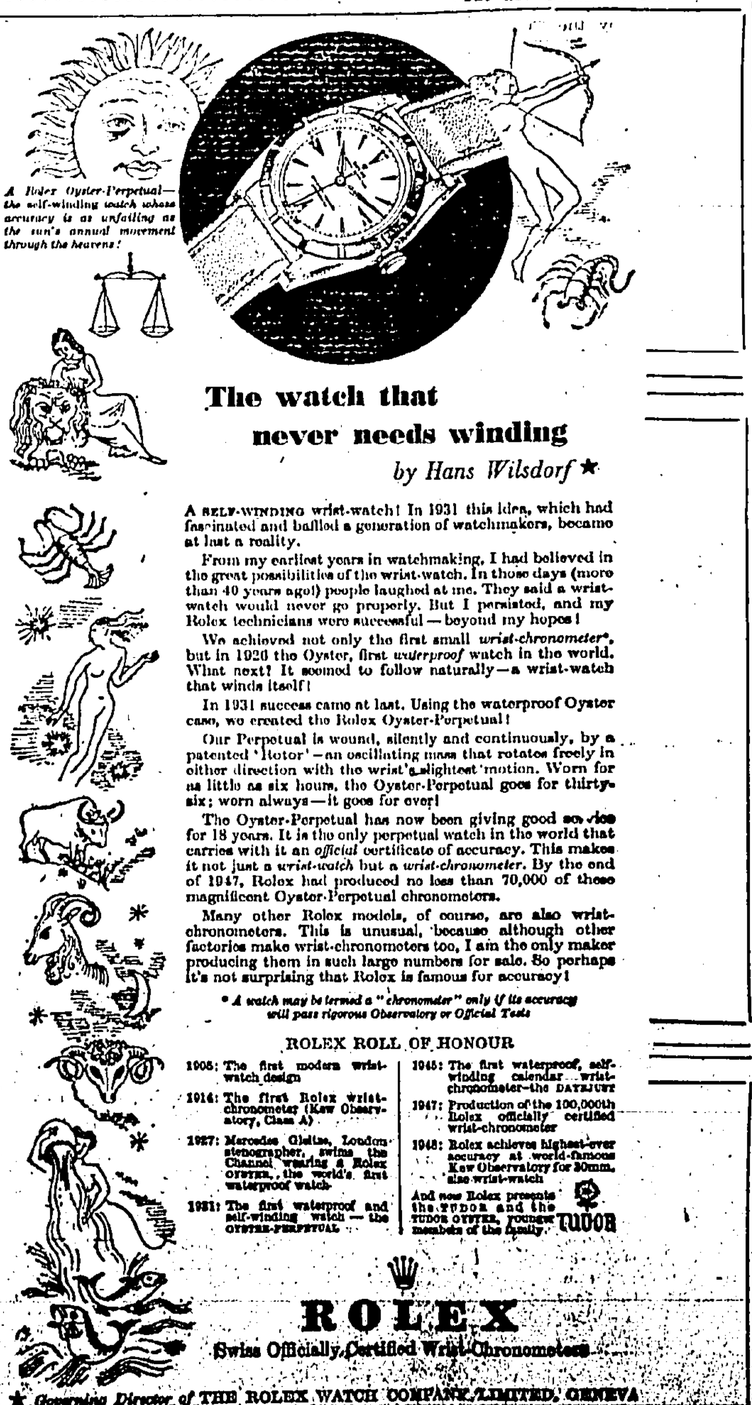
The Italian goodwill mission to the South American republics, which is to visit 19 South American states, arrived here today after having been held at Cali by bad weather.

The mission, comprising Salvadore Aldisio, Vice-President of the Italian Senate and Gileppi Brusasca, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, will stay here until Sunday, then go on to Caracas, Venezuela.

The delegates are being most warmly received and widely entertained here.

They set out from Rome by air on July 23, empowered by a special decree to sign on behalf of the Italian Government any commercial agreement that might be reached with a South American government.

They have visited Uruguay, Argentina and Chile.—Reuter.



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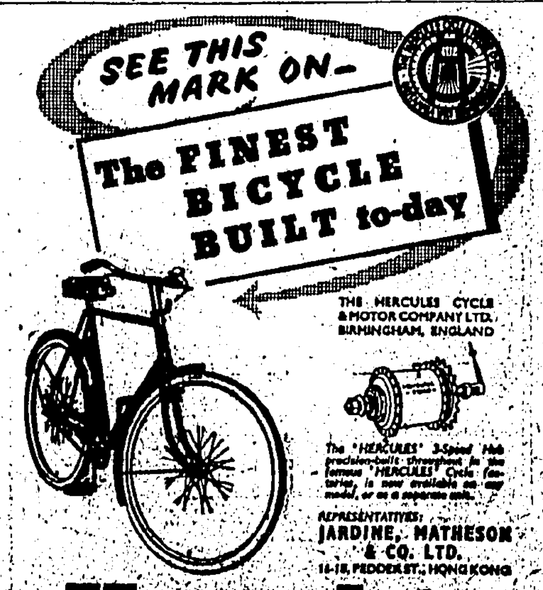

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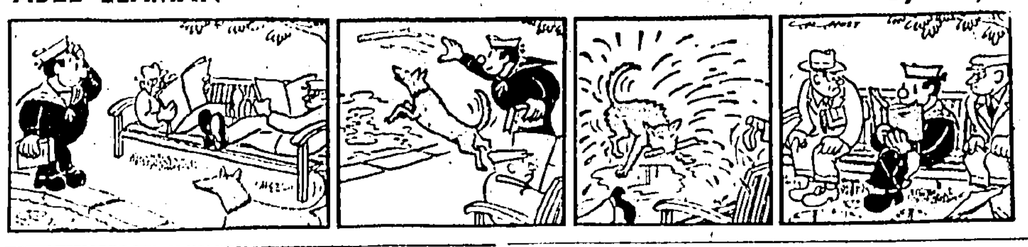

Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

After spending two weeks in Paris feverishly reporting on the latest decrees of fashion, you might think I'd be a bit glassy-eyed about the whole thing.

But, no. The more you understand about the workings of the world of fashion, the more fascinating it be comes.

What is fashion, anyway? Broadly speaking, I suppose it is the immediate expression in line, form, colour and speech of contemporary time.

And (with the exception of speech) the ever-changing pattern manifests itself most clearly in Women's clothes.

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Only the Englishman attempts to dismiss it as frivolity; an attitude which has in the past made Englishwomen nervous of any real change in their personal appearance. (And this in turn was largely responsible for retarding our progress in the high art of designing good and INTERESTING clothes.)

Fortunately the women of Britain are taking the law into their own hands, and following the dictates of fashion as never before, for reasons we'll talk about in a minute.

I don't believe the wide ramifications of the world of fashion are clearly understood in England. A Frenchman will ask with bated breath: "Tell me about the Dior collection!"

He wants to know what his lady is going to look like . . . being an artist at living, he understands the value of the correct compliment: "Darling, what a beautiful dress, the new neck-line is most becoming to you!" (The dress may be a home-made copy, but the evening will be off to a flying start.)

He is also liable to be interested on other reasons. Stocks and shares will be affected by the fluctuating sales of materials.

Will madam be using much wool this season . . . Will she dress in pure silk, or is rayon still holding its own?

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A sudden craze for fur trimming will reach out to the fur-trappers in the backwoods . . . a return from thick platform-soled shoes to flimsy almost-topless affairs will bring in its train a demand for overshoes . . .

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Maybe if the idea spreads to America, the rubber market will be affected. Alternatively, miles of material can be left on the manufacturers' shelves — if is the wrong colour.

Hollywood sends scouts to the Paris dress shows, and await's the reports with some agony of mind. Backed up as it is by industrial necessity for constant turnover, and saved by human weakness for change and glamour even Hollywood can't arrest the path of fashion's progress.

So if another revolution like the "New Look of 1947" turns up, several million dollars' worth of completed films will be suddenly out of date, and the money lost for ever.

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People ask how, in these days of currency controls, high-priced Paris fashions could possibly affect the majority of English-women. They do not seem to realise to what an extent up-to-the minute fashion is made available to all income groups throughout Britain.

Buyers and designers from the leading wholesale dress houses attend the previews of each season's collections given by the world-famous fashion designers of both London and Paris.

Sometimes they buy a "toile" (cotton pattern) outright, which they may modify for mass production, or simply copy it as it stands.

They may only be watching for the new line; this cannot be discovered by seeing only one collection, but is seen gradually as a trend running through the whole lot.

In a comparatively-short space of time those who cannot afford anything like the price of the "grands couturiers" will be able to choose an autumn suit with at least one obvious pointer from the latest "News in Fashion."

It is amusing briefly to consider the psychology of fashion too.

For some years before the war there was very little to get hold of, life itself was, so to speak, resisting the advance of fashion.

Between 1930 and 1939 even Paris didn't succeed in doing much more than persuade women to chop their skirts shorter and pad their shoulders squarer and squarer.

This curious, square, masculine silhouette reached its logical conclusion in the female uniforms of the war years. Then women proved for all time that they could do all that a man can do—almost.

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In the years between, fashion, always a comment on current life, was playing its part in feminine emancipation.

Women wanted not only to work in offices in inferior jobs, but to be allowed to compete with men on the grounds of merit in all forms of wordly limitation.

There was a long way to go. Only 20 years back a good brain had a hard time to overcome prejudice if it went with a pretty face.

A woman wanting to be taken seriously in a man's world had to neutralise the appearance of her femininity as far as possible. As more and more women joined the ranks of workers, so their clothes inevitably conformed.

At night it was different. After office hours women have clung to elegance and long skirts as far as possible. In the social round, and in the home, women have always felt self-confident and natural; so for many years we had the strange metamorphosis of the squared-off female of the daytime changing into a glamorous and intensely feminine creature in the evening. And it passed off as the dictate of fashion!

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Then, fortunately, M Christian Dior decided to put an end to all that. He saw that women's emancipation was complete; and he organised a revolution, "Women must look like women," he said. And to their great relief women found they could be successful executive types and still look female!

Not for years has fashion been so appealing, wearable, and intensely feminine as it is today.

So if anybody is still wondering what on earth Paris "haute couture" has to do with us, I suppose the answer is that France has always produced more creative dress designers than any other country.

And, since women will always find a way to follow fashion, we might take a look around and admit that the influence is tremendous and, generally speaking, nice too, isn't it?

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LABOUR LOSES FIRST ROUND

Behind The Political Scene

By ALASTAIR FORBES

It would be unfortunate if any section of the British public were to be left with a completely false impression that the opening of the first session of the European Assembly at Strasbourg can in any be marred by so-called "bickering" between British Socialists and Tories.

It was certainly unfortunate that readers of the Press should have been told that this was the case.

Unfortunately there has never been an assembly held within living memory anything like this one. And if there are many of the 87 representatives who have not yet grasped all its rules it is hardly surprising that there are many more among the 350 journalists who have found the accurate interpretation of these unprecedented proceedings and the atmosphere surrounding them a little beyond their immediate powers.

Ignorant Correspondents

The Fleet street tradition that "Dog don't eat dog" being on the whole a sound one, it is with great reluctance that one follows the example of Mr. Michael Foot and his many Socialist colleague in breaking it.

But it has to be said that it was evidently a considerable drawback that so much of the task of reporting the outset of the Strasbourg proceedings should have fallen either upon Parliamentary Correspondents ignorant of the niceties of foreign psychology or upon Foreign Correspondents ignorant of the niceties of parliamentary manners.

It would, no doubt, very much have suited Mr. Bevin's book if the United Kingdom representatives at the present Assembly had followed such a precedent and tamely accepted the joint directives of the Foreign Office and the Lord President of the Council.

Mr. Bevin did his best to delay the creation of this Assembly, and, once having bowed to its existence, has done all in his power to stunt its growth and restrict its freedom.

It may have been symbolically suitable to site it in Strasbourg, but there will be no future for any body whose importance is confined to symbolism.

Mr. Bevin's aim was rather to shunt the speeding European express into a quiet siding, in the hope that its passengers would soon grow bored and go home.

Strasbourg, for all its beauties and historical associations, is well off the beaten track and marvellously unsuited for the reception of any permanent international political body.

Ministerial pressure, again principally applied by Britain's Socialist Foreign Secretary, had been successful in establishing a statute designed to reduce the sphere of usefulness of the Assembly to a minimum.

Remarkable Socialist

From the outset then the Assembly had to rise to its full height in order to demand and secure greater independence and authority. Thanks largely to the initiative of Britain's Tories it has done so.

It has, of course, been supremely lucky in its acquisition of M. Spaak as President. This remarkable Belgian Socialist has in recent years proved himself to be the most brilliant and constructive statesman of the post-war era.

Without him the Assembly might have crumbled in a short time into an anarchy altogether agreeable to Britain's Socialists.

The alternative contestants for his post, with the exception of Britain's Robert Boothby, lacked the eminence and competence demanded of it. M. Spaak is probably the ablest and most forceful chairman on the political scene today.

Certainly no body over which he presides will become a back number. He wishes to see a real European Parliament come into being, and he knows full well that such a body will never spring from the present Assembly if the latter is allowed to remain a piece of window-dressing for the Foreign Ministers, a mere meeting-place of advisers whose advice is seldom asked and still more seldom taken.

Morrison's Plans

The dominance of their part was brought about largely by Mr. Morrison himself. The latter was determined to use what parliamentary skill and genius for intrigue he possesses to turn the Socialist minority into an effective device for opposing the will of Europe's anti-Socialist majority.

He had first to make sure of the loyalty of his British comrades. These were therefore chosen for their conformism rather than their distinction.

They were carefully chaperoned by their chief whip, Mr. William Whiteley, who would surely find that his total ignorance of Europe and European affairs would make it easier for him to concentrate on this purely disciplinary function. But this was not enough for Mr. Morrison.

Our Cockney Napoleon yearned command of foreign legions. Accordingly a meeting was called of the foreign Socialists, and the suggestion put that this Left-Wing branch should act throughout the Assembly in close contact.

"The member for Stoke-Blessington has a nice comfortable seat."

Astutely Mr. Morrison proposed that a French Socialist should be the nominal leader of the bloc. In return for this mark of favour from the British Labour Party the European Socialists were asked to support the election of the Monnet bloc and taciturn Mr. Whiteley as Vice-President of the Assembly, in which position he would be well placed to do the will of the Socialist Government of which he is a member.

Mr. Morrison clearly said that Mr. Whiteley would, abroad at least, run no risk of following the example of his late colleague and opposite number, Lord Ammon, or of startling the European Press with cries of "Le gouvernement britannique est fou."

The foreign Socialists agreed to this piece of British scheming with reluctance. For though they depend for much on Transport House and White-hall, they recognise in Lord Layton a far worthier candidate for this high European office.

The creation in the Assembly of a Socialist international bloc, coupled with the appointment of the British Patronage Secretary as Vice-President, would have been a direct threat to the idea of their Parliament. Its representatives should speak as Europeans and not as nationals.

It is impossible for people in England to follow the proceedings unless it is clearly understood that this is not a conference of Ambassadors or Governments in which outward agreement proceeds from secrets behind the scene of discussion or bargain, but a genuine deliberative assembly.

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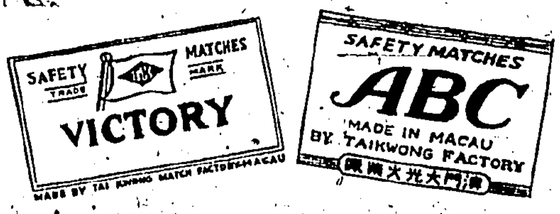

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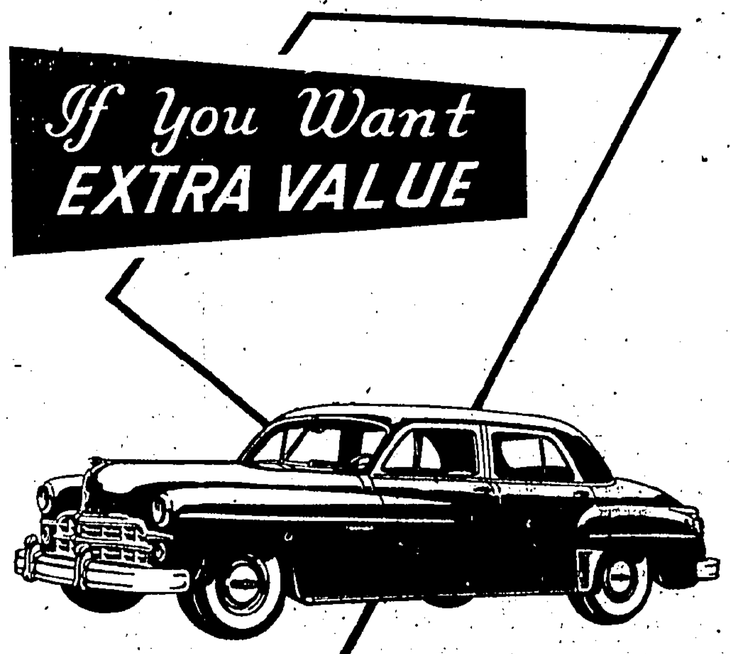

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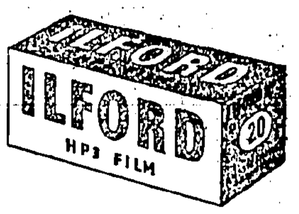

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HAGUE COMMITTEES START WORK ON INDONESIAN ISSUES

The Hague, August 26.

Five main committees of the round-table conference on Indonesia started work this morning on political, military, financial, cultural and social problems.

All of them dealt mainly with preliminaries such as general procedure and fixing agendas.

The Social and Cultural Committee adjourned after an hour until next Tuesday when leaders of the delegations will present an agreed agenda.

This was the first full meeting of the Commission and the Dutch and Republican delegations since the principal delegates went to The Hague.

It was decided, in the words of the Australian Chairman, Mr. Pritchett, to round off and complete the achievements of the previous discussions here in Batavia.

The Chairman of the Netherlands delegation, M. Jacob, said that it was their task now to smooth the way for the transfer of sovereignty to Indonesia which was being worked out by the Hague conference.

Speaking not as a diplomat but as a Dutch civil servant, he felt that too many governmental gaps still existed in Indonesia as a consequence of the discord in recent years.

They should concentrate, M. Jacob said, on the further reconstruction of the Administration so that the material welfare of the population should be no longer jeopardised. It was high time that they went to work because there was still great need for goods such as textiles and medical supplies and for means of production.

Mutually Linked

The Republican Chairman, Susanto Tirtoprojo, emphasised that both the Hague conference and the work of the delegations and the Commission here were mutually linked up and would influence each other.

Whether the time needed to achieve results at The Hague would be long or short, he said, would depend to a certain extent upon the implementation of the agreements reached in Indonesia by both delegations.

On the other hand, good news of smooth progress would certainly influence the work here in Indonesia, particularly regarding the cease-fire.

For that reason, Susanto said, everyone in Indonesia should carry out their duties with the greatest sincerity without being slavishly fettered by juridical and legalistic considerations.

Susanto, who during the exile of the Soekarno Government, was underground with the Republicans in East Java, said, that what he had seen during his seven months as "guerilla minister" had convinced him that the Indonesian people are prepared to continue the struggle to achieve their ideals.

"On the other hand," Susanto added, "they are also prepared to follow the path of peace on the condition that they do not have to sacrifice the honour of their country and people.

"Personally I am willing to devote all my efforts to achieving our aims in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and confidence."

Though today's United Nations' Commission communique referred only to political prisoners and supplies for Republican areas, the question of restoring normal regular communications with the Republic was also being tackled by the Dutch and Republican delegations.—Reuter.

Iron Steel Exports Show Rise

London, August 26.

Britain's iron and steel industry exceeded its export target last month in spite of a setback in British exports as a whole, it was announced tonight.

Exports for the month totalled £11,410,000 compared with a target of £10,500,000.

Exports of non-ferrous metals at a rate of £4,540,000 also exceeded the target but were lower than the monthly average for the first or second quarter of this year.

Machinery just exceeded the export target of £23,000,000, but vehicles suffered a setback and were below the end of the 1949 target.

Exports of food, drink and tobacco have steadily declined since the fourth quarter of 1948, and the July rate of £6,630,000 compared with an end-of-the-year target of £7,750,000.

Coal jumped from a monthly rate of £3,550,000 in the second quarter to £4,450,000 in July. The end-of-the-year target is £6,000,000.

Cotton Exports

Exports of cotton, woollens and worsteds, and miscellaneous textiles were all higher in July than in the second quarter, but none reached the target figure. Silk and rayon exports suffered a small setback.

Clothing exports for July at £2,210,000 were below the average for the first quarter, but slightly higher than that for the second quarter. The target is £3,700,000.

Footwear exports have shown a continuous fall since the last quarter of 1948 and the July figure of £370,000 compared with an end-of-the-year target of £900,000.

Exports of paper and paper manufactures, chemicals, pottery, glass and abrasives, all declined in July.

Oils and fats, however, showed an increase and at £1,210,000 were only slightly short of the target of £1,350,000.

Leather exports were higher than in the first or second quarters of the year and reached £820,000 compared with a target of £1,050,000.—Reuter.

Truman Says No Ill Feeling

Washington, August 25.

President Truman told the press there was no ill feeling between the British and U.S. governments and all controversy between the two countries appeared to be confined to the Press.

Asked whether he expected any concrete results to come from the forthcoming Anglo-American conferences here, he said he certainly did or he would not have agreed to hold them. He said he thought the position, so far as Anglo-American disagreement was concerned, could well be summed up by a cartoon in a local paper, which depicted Uncle Sam and John Bull looking on tolerantly while small boys, labelled American Press and British Press, threw bricks at each other across the Atlantic.

This cartoon was published a few days ago by the Washington "Evening Star".—United Press.

Hurricane Roars Into Florida

Palm Beach, Florida, August 26.

A hurricane roared into the rich Florida gold coast along a 40-mile stretch of shoreline from Fort Lauderdale to Palm Beach today. Shortly before dark, winds of 90 miles an hour sent huge waves crashing against the fabulous homes and plush seaside hotels of this winter season home of the wealthy.

Winds of the same power battered at low-lying Fort Lauderdale, resort town of 40,000 just North of Miami.

The hurricane took its first life in Miami, where its winds were weaker. Andrew Johnkman was drowned when he attempted to secure his small boat in a 50-mile an hour gale.

Winds of hurricane force were tearing at anchorages and buildings in a score of small seaside fishing and resort communities between Fort Lauderdale and Palm Beach. The hurricane headed inland on a rampaging journey which apparently would carry it through the fertile muck-lands around Lake Okeechobee and across the narrow peninsula to the Gulf of Mexico.

May Hit N. Orleans

Six hundred thousand residents of New Orleans, the Coast Guard, disaster units and key National Guard personnel were alerted as the Weather Bureau warned the hurricane might strike very close to New Orleans on Sunday.

The storm moved inland at a speed of 18-26 miles an hour, headed in a West-North-West direction. In Fort Lauderdale, where residents had been warned long in advance that the centre might strike, more than 1,100 persons fled to the 36 Red Cross shelters set up in public buildings and churches.

In Palm Beach, many of whose wealthy residents were spending the summer on the French Riviera, more than 500 were in 50 shelters—almost half of them in the Palm Beach county courthouse at the West Palm Beach.—United Press.

ABDULLAH VISITS ROYAL FAMILY

Edinburgh, August 26.

King Abdullah of Transjordan arrived here today for a visit to the British Royal Family. He was accompanied by his second son, Prince Naif, and the British Minister to Transjordan, Sir Alec Kirkbridge.

The King will be given a civic reception today and will spend tonight at Gleneagles before going to Balmoral to have lunch with King George and Queen Elizabeth tomorrow. — United Press.

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Eisler Speaks At 'Peace Conference'

Moscow, August 26.

The German delegate, Gerhart Eisler, speaking at the "peace conference" here, branded leadership of West Germany "nothing but a gang of imperialists."

In contrast, he said, in East Germany the roots of imperialism and Nazism had been completely destroyed. With the Soviet Union the sole nation favouring unity, every German who values the interest of his nation is a friend of the Soviet Union's, he added.

Min Nan-yung, representing Chinese trade unions, drew prolonged cheers when he told the conference the People's Liberation Army, rapidly driving toward Canton, would soon liberate all China.

He said he was speaking on behalf of 400,000,000 Chinese who love and respect the Soviet Union as being the best and truest friend of China.

Tracing victories in China, he said Mao Tse-tung's party enjoyed the assistance of the Communist Parties and working class of the entire world. He then said the Political Consultative Assembly would soon form a coalition government for all China.

Endless Applause

He reiterated Mao Tse-tung's recent statement that China was part of the "anti-imperialist camp." He concluded amid almost endless applause: "Long live the "great" revolutionary leader of all humanity, Stalin."

Min also told the 1,200 applauding delegates and their foreign guests from 14 countries: "We belong to the democratic front headed by the Soviet Union and there isn't a third way."

Claiming the rout of more than 5,000,000 Nationalist troops who were American-equipped, the speaker said the People's Liberation Army victories would have been impossible without the Soviet Union's moral support.

The Metropolitan Nikolai Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church, a position second only to the Patriarch, told the assembly: "The conference was held in order to tear the mask of hypocrisy from highway bandits plotting against peace."

Praises Russia

He praised the achievements of Soviet labour's huge construction programme which was under way and Soviet scientific achievement, all of which he said were threatened by warmongers.

"Those who feed on blood cannot live without it," he declared.

He said the Church—"which enjoys absolute freedom under Stalin"—could not remain indifferent to the plans of world reaction as expressed by capitalist America, "this sinner from resuscitated Babylon who is trying to tempt the world."

"Overseas sirens sing of freedom, but only a man lacking a conscience can listen to this song where bread buys in the sight of the hungry. Freedom to kill—this is their freedom."

He then termed sadist cynicism the mere utterance of words regarding use of the atom bomb. He added that he could not but point out that the Vatican had not raised a voice against German crimes, while the Pope's agent was American imperialism's principal ally in the imperialist camp, the Holy Father blessing his anti-Christian line in all its spiritual nakedness.—United Press.

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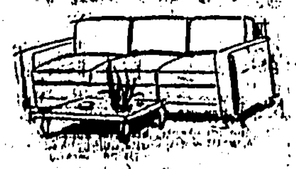
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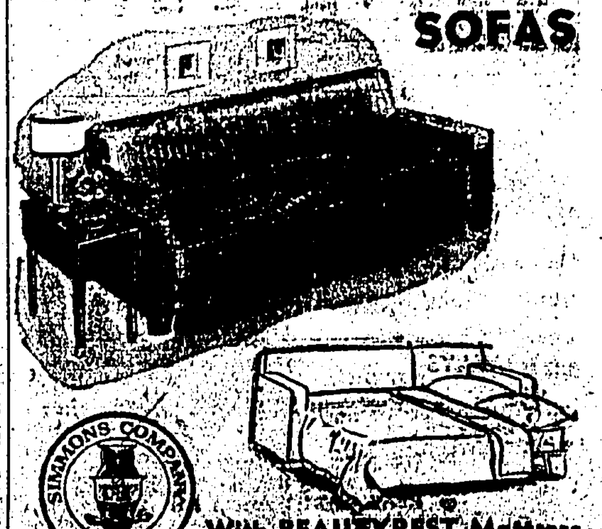
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The Mike Jacobs Story--No. 6
World Heavyweight Champion

By HARRY MARKSON

Mike Jacobs didn't let up on Joe Louis in that fateful year of 1936. Joe thought he would have a vacation after his "comeback" victory over Jack Sharkey—but he was figuring without Mike's eagerness to make the 20th Century Sporting Club known in every city in America.

So Mike walked into Joe's hotel suite in Harlem and said to Joe and his manager, John Roxborough: "We just set up another fight for you, Joe".

"What?" Joe exclaimed, "I just got finished with a fight, didn't I?"

"Sure," Mike replied, "but you've got to keep going. We want you to fight Al Ettore in Philadelphia, don't we, John?"

Roxborough agreed. He knew it was important to keep Louis active. Jim Braddock, the champion, was giving every indication that he wasn't going to defend his world title in 1936 because of arthritis in the little finger and Mike realised that Joe could establish himself as the No. 1, contender by scoring at least one more outdoor victory that year.

The Critics Jeered

Ettore was a Philadelphia youngster who had won a batch of victories and Mike wanted to cash in on the opportunity. So, five weeks after Joe knocked out Sharkey, he was fighting Ettore in Philadelphia's huge horseshoe-shaped Municipal Stadium, which seats 120,000.

It was what American fight managers call a "pick-up" fight. Louis stood little chance of losing, and he would pick up a nice payoff. He did, too. The battle drew $222,779, paid by 40,407 fans. For knocking out Ettore in five rounds, Louis collected $52,897.

When it was over, Mike walked into Joe's dressing-room in the cavernous stadium stands and said: "Just a few more fights and we'll get you Jimmy Braddock and the championship!"

Newspapermen laughed, knowing that the Madison-square Garden Corporation had an exclusive service contract which bound Braddock to fight only under its auspices.

"What about that?" one reporter asked Mike.

"That contract ain't no good," Mike said. "When we get around to it we'll break it".

The newspapers reported Mike's opinion, but gave it little credence. "He's talking through his hat," one sports writer said.

Jacobs laughed when he read this. "I'll show them," he said.

Mike played it smartly that winter of 1937. He let Louis fight at the Hippodrome, 20th Century's indoor arena in New York City, and Joe knocked out Jorge Bresca, a South American, in three rounds. Then, in Cleveland, Joe knocked out Eddie Simms in one.

Next stop — Buffalo, in up-State New York, where Louis knocked out Stanley Ketchel in two rounds. Now, all over America, the names of Mike Jacobs and Joe Louis were being linked.

But Mike Smiled

Said Mike: "When Louis fights Braddock for the heavyweight championship next summer, a lot of people will have seen him in these fights, and he'll draw a fortune.

Still the critics howled at Mike. "The Garden's got Braddock tied up," they repeated. Mike went right on smiling.

He even let Louis fight in Madison-square Garden, which was in the promotion hands of Jimmy Johnston, Mike's old friend and arch rival. What's more, Mike allowed his man to fight Bob Pastor, a former New York University footballer—though he knew Pastor was managed by Johnston.

"We'll do all right," Mike said.

But it looked as though Mike had made a mistake. Johnston, an American citizen who was born in Liverpool, was one of the sagest men in boxing. He was swift of mind and tongue—and it was his avowed purpose to outwit Jacobs.

Johnston studied Louis' moves in other fights and concluded that the Brown Bomber was at sea when facing a fast-moving target. So he instructed Pastor to run and dodge and duck all night.

Well, Joe couldn't hit Pastor solidly that night in Madison-square Garden — and, at the end of 10 rounds, Pastor was still on his feet. Louis didn't look like a genuine Brown Bomber at this stage. Johnston howled.

"I sure gave it to Mike, didn't I?" he chortled.

Mike's anger was as large as his bank account. "Johnston put Pastor on a bicycle and he rode all night," Mike snarled. Next day the sports writers labelled Pastor as "Bicycle Bob."

Now Mike realised that Louis' reputation had been injured by Joe's failure to catch up with Pastor. Immediately, he called his partners, Damon, Bill Farnsworth and Ed Frayne, into conference.

"We gotta do something" he told them.

"What, for example?" Farnsworth asked.

"We'll have to get Joe another fight. Is that okay?"

It was okay with the partners —and by Joe's managers, John Roxborough and Julian Black, who had to give their approval.

Natie Brown, the Washington D.C. fighter, who went 10 rounds with Louis on the night the New York sportswriters were taken to Detroit for their first look at Louis, who picked as Joe's next opponent.

"Brown's a boxer too," Mike said, "just like Pastor. If Joe can catch up to him, people will forget the Pastor affair."

So, four weeks after the fiasco in Madison-Square Garden, Joe Louis fought Natie Brown in Kansas City. The fight lasted four rounds. Joe punched with all his usual authority that night. The Pastor episode had been wiped out—Jacobs' strategy of following up each blunder with a quick master-stroke had paid off again.

Now Mike was ready for the clincher that would give him complete control of big-time boxing in the world.

Madison-square Garden matched Jimmy Braddock to defend his world heavyweight title against Max Schmeling, only man to have knocked out Louis. It seemed like a natural, and it was slated for the "jinxed" Madison-square Garden Bowl in June, 1937.

Everybody believed that this put Joe and Mike right behind the eight-ball, but Mike didn't worry. His attorney was his cousin, Sol Strauss.

"What can we do about this?" Mike asked Sol.

"I'll read the contract which binds Braddock to the Garden exclusively," Sol said, "and I'll tell you what I think in a few days."

A week later Sol was back with his report. "That contract is no good," he declared. "We can beat it in the courts. It has no equity. It doesn't guarantee Braddock any money if he doesn't fight, and that's slavery."

Mike wasn't interested in points of law. He told Sol: "I want this contract broken, that's all."

Braddock and his manager, Joe Gould, were willing to ditch the Garden. They wanted to tag along with Mike, in return for which he agreed to pay them 10 per cent of profits from heavyweight championship fights for the next 10 years should Braddock lose the title to Louis.

Braddock signed to fight Joe in Chicago on June 22, 1937, under the auspices of Mike Jacobs and the 20th Century Sporting Club. At once the Garden's lawyers instituted suit in the Federal Court in the State of New Jersey for an injunction to stop the fight.

Strauss went over to New Jersey and retained the best firm of lawyers in the State to fight the case. Louis went to Kenosha, Wisconsin, to train, Braddock worked at Grand Beach, Michigan.

Jacobs got busy on the promotion angle. He rented Comiskey Park, home of the Chicago White Sox of the American Baseball League, for the fight, and put the tickets on sale. The price for ringside seats was $27.50. Mike was back in the city where he once made $25,000 peddling tickets for the second Dempsey-Tunney battle.

Yet, he wasn't sure he was going to have a fight. The Garden's suit in the Federal Court hadn't been decided — and Gould, Braddock's manager, feared his purse would be attached. Braddock was being paid a guarantee of $300,000.

So each day, after the box office closed, Gould put the thousands of dollars in receipts in a safety-deposit box he had rented in a Chicago bank. He wasn't taking any chances — and neither was Mike.

Then, suddenly, the Federal Court in New Jersey ruled that the contract between Braddock and the Madison-square Garden Corporation was null and void. Mike had won. It was great news for Louis, too. His chance at the championship was assured.

The night of the Louis-Braddock bout, which drew $715,470 from 45,500 customers, was a frantic one for Mike. This crowd stormed the ball park for tickets and Mike scurried from one box office window to another directing the sale. When he finally plumped into a ringside seat he was groggy and tired — but triumphant.

He was on the verge of gaining control of the world heavyweight championship.

But no sooner had he sat down than Louis was knocked down by Braddock. A right-hand uppercut caught Joe on the chin and down he went on his back.

Mike turned a delicate green. He clutched the side of his chair to keep straight. His brain whirled. It was as though he himself had been slugged by Braddock's punch. Was his dream to be shattered right there before his eyes?

He was soon to know. Joe got off the floor, fought back, took command and started to punish Braddock. In the eighth round he knocked out Braddock to become world heavy-weight champion — and to make Mike Jacobs the world's No. 1. promoter.

That night Louis went to his home in South Chicago to celebrate and a vast crowd made him come out on the baleony of his home to receive their homage. And Mike Jacobs? Already he was scheming his next step . . .

So Tommy Signed

From England, Mike had got word that the National Sporting Club was planning to match Schmeling, Louis' conqueror, with an ex-coal miner from Tonypandy, Wales—Tommy Farr, who had gained a reputation by defeating Max Baer and knocking out Walter Neusel, the German, within two months. What's more, the Farr-Schmeling winner, Mike learned, was going to be crowned the heavyweight champion of the world by the British Boxing Board of Control.

In his hotel room Mike went into conference with his "Cabinet" —Farnsworth, Frayne and Runyon—and figured it out. Then he summoned his counsellor, Sol Strauss.

"I want you to go to New York tomorrow and to sail for England," Mike told him. "And when you get there I want you to stop Tommy Farr from fighting Schmeling. Maybe we'll even promote a fight in England to stop that one."

"England?" Strauss blinked. "That's a long way, from New York."

"Get going," Mike said.

Strauss didn't even have time to get his visa. He had a passport when he boarded ship, but that was all. He hadn't the slightest idea of what to do. Then, on board ship, he got a cablegram from Jacobs.

"Offer Farr fight with Joe Louis for the heavyweight championship in New York on August 30," Mike commanded.

When Strauss got to Southampton, he was met by Paul Damski, Neusel's manager, who lived in New York after fleeing from Hitler's Germany. "I'll take you to meet Ted Broadribb," Damski told Strauss. "He's Farr's manager."

Next day Strauss met Broadribb in London and eventually persuaded him to tell him where Farr was. Strauss slept peacefully that night, until the telephone rang. Over the wire a voice said:

"You don't know who this is but if you try to sign Farr you'll have your arm broken."

That was all. But threats didn't frighten Strauss. He went to Brighton. At first Farr wasn't to be found. Finally the holiday-maker was rounded up and taken to the hotel and when Strauss told him he could get $50,000 for fighting Louis he stopped to listen.

"How much is $50,000 in pounds sterling?" he asked.

"Ten thousand," Strauss said.

"I'll fight," Farr said.

He signed the papers and all was well. Strauss cabled to Jacobs back in New York.

"Arrived in England July 4, 1937," he said, "and I have met the British and they are ours."

But it wasn't that easy. Now the people who wanted to promote the Farr-Schmeling fight in London "bounced" a show cause order to be served on Farr. This was intended to force Farr to show why he should not be enjoined from fighting for Jacobs.

Strauss knew about this and, immediately, he plotted to smuggle Farr to France, where he could not be served the papers.

In Paris, Strauss took Farr to the Hotel King George V, the finest hotel in the capital — and Strauss was spending with a lavish hand. He wasn't going to lose Farr now.

And so Sol Strauss and Tommy Farr sailed in the Berengaria for the United States.

And in New York, Mike Jacobs awaited their arrival. He knew he was on the verge of new, rich triumphs . . .

Farr Springs A Shock

For Jacobs, the Louis-Farr fight was a difficult promotion. Yet, oddly, it was a success, financially and artistically, because it came at a time when Mike was negotiating with the Madison-Square Garden Corporation to take over the boxing rights of the world famous arena.

Mike went down New York Harbour in a tugboat to meet Farr when he arrived from France, and Tommy also met the Press that day.

The newspapermen were not enthusiastic. And, in the days ahead, while Farr trained at Long Branch, New Jersey, a seaside resort about 50 miles from New York, Mike's task became more difficult. Farr was far from impressive. He was being flailed by his sparring partners and one, Abe Feldman, knocked him down.

Jacobs worried about this lest it hurt the sale of tickets for the fight. He wasn't even sure Farr would come out alive from the fight with Louis, which was set for the Yankee Stadium on August 30, 1937.

But Farr proved much tougher than anybody had believed possible. He gave Louis a close struggle, advancing in the face of enemy fire for 15 rounds. Some even believed Tommy had won the fight, but the officials voted Louis the winner. The 32,000 crowd were rewarded for their patronage.

Mike was vindicated, as a promoter, by Farr's heroic, competent showing. After the bout, for the first time, Jacobs went into the dressing-room of Louis's opponent before visiting the champion.

"You're all right," he told Farr. "You're a good representative of the British. What do they call it? Pluck?"

NEXT WEEK: The Louis-Schmeling fight and the night Mike Jacobs will never forget.

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INSIDE INFORMATION

By MERCURY

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The U.S. has asked Turkey to treble her chromium production and increase manganese output, as Russia will no longer export these vital products.

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The U.S. Mediterranean Fleet is to carry out exercises near Greek and Turkish waters.

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Expect Soviet military staff talks with her satellite states in Moscow soon.

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The U.S. arms plan for Western Europe is that half its equipment shall be modern American weapons delivered within the next two years.

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Railway engines built in Britain for China are to be switched to British railways in view of the Far East situation.

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France is to build the world's largest tankers exceeding the 30,000 tonnage of recently-launched American vessels.

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Stalin has left the Kremlin for his summer holiday resort at Sochi on the Black Sea coast. He will be visited by the Rumanian Foreign Minister, Mrs. Anna Pauker.

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Scotland aims at distilling the record quantity of 30,000,000 gallons of whisky in the coming season to avert world shortage.

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Spivs in growing numbers settling round U.S. camps in Britain are under police scrutiny. Prosecutions are increasing.

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The Suez Canal Company's new pact with Egypt may not be ratified before the Egyptian elections. It has been hotly attacked by the Nationalist opposition.

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Washington may offer another loan to Britain next month when Cripps meets Snyder, U.S. Treasury Chief. Two conditions would be the mild devaluation of sterling and jettisoning of the Agentino Trade Pact.

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Mr. Bevan may use the German optical industry to help supply spectacles under the National Health Scheme.

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An order for British railway equipment worth £3,000,000 is on its way from Brazil.

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Desire to improve the reputation of Egypt abroad is a reason for its recent Cabinet changes. Cairo was shocked to see entries in U.S. passports that travellers visit Egypt at their own risk.

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French police suspect that the Aga Khan's stolen jewels have gone to swell the funds of Communist Mediterranean headquarters.

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The Cardiff offices of the Greek Seamen's Union have been recruiting young Britons to fight with the Greek rebels.

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A civil servant is working out the graveyard end of Britain's Social Security Plan. He is designing uniform mahogany slabs with gold lettering.

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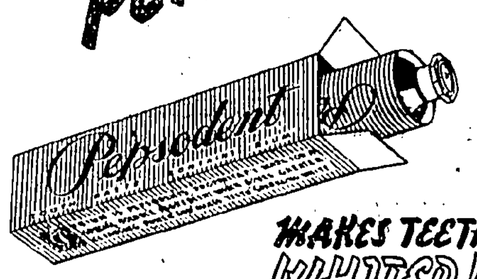

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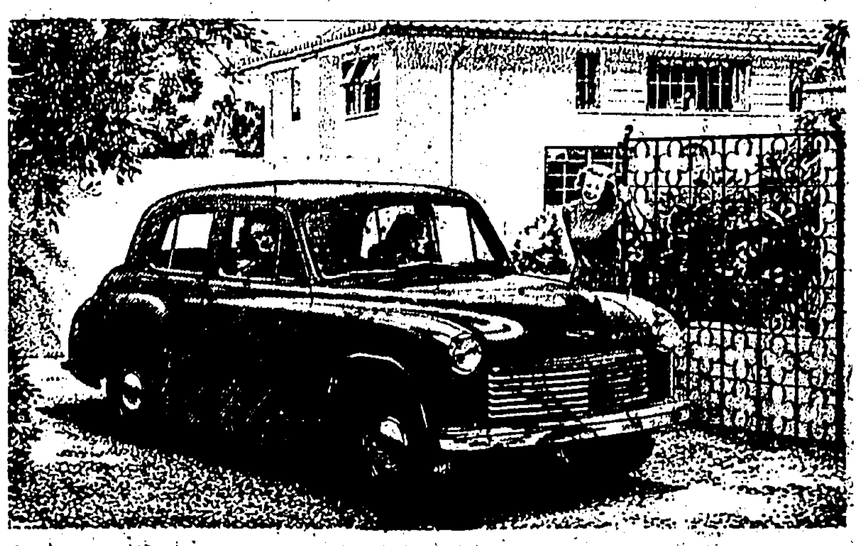

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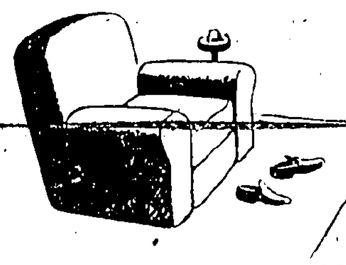

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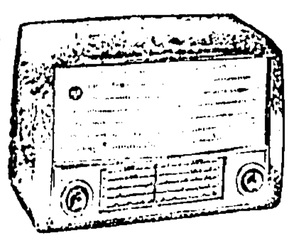

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Says JACK DAVIES

There are two topics of conversation in New York, the weather and "South Pacific."

I have seen and felt the impact of both. The heat and I came into contact when at seven in the morning I stepped from the Queen Mary. It hit me like the blast of a furnace, and despite a regular series of five or six showers a day I have been soaked in perspiration ever since.

The heat wave, which is unprecedented even here where they do everything in a big way, has hit show business hard. Many New Yorkers have left the city, and while thousands of tourists have taken their place they have not come to town to go to the movies, and the cinemas are mostly experiencing poor business.

I Picked Wrong In The 'Lucky Dip'

Paramount are literally giving away diamonds. To attract customers to see "Rope of Sand" they drop four real diamonds worth £100 into a fish pool full of imitation stones. If you pick one of the real pieces of ice, you keep it.

I picked wrong.

The theatres are doing better and seats are unobtainable for any of the three new musicals including the Irving Berlin-Robert Sherwood "Miss Liberty," which despite a bad Press is proving, as one critic has remarked, that Americans still prefer the label on the tin to the contents inside it.

Charles Boyer Had A Superior Manner

Which brings me to "South Pacific."

Before I left London I had read this show extolled in extravagant terms. To the Queen and every American I met on the boat I had arranged to meet Charles Boyer and Irene Dunne in a hysterical frieze. Charles Boyer was acting in a superior manner because he had been denied a ticket for it.

As soon as I reached New York I was left in no doubt as to the phenomenal success of the piece. Up and down Broadway, at bulb manufacturers' paradise the neon-lithic age, every radio and record shop blares forth its hits from the show.

At every night spot, from the elegant El Morocco to the brassy Copacabana, the dance bands play the songs interminably. And when you get to the Majestic Theatre to see the show (which you do not unless you have tremendous influence), you find hundreds of people braving a sidewalk temperature of 106 degrees in the hope of booking seats months and months ahead.

One couple I met were prepared to pay £25 a seat. Thousands of others seem willing to do the same.

And is the show itself worthy of all the pother it is causing? The answer is a thousand times yes.

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Unhappily Ezio Pinza (the leading man and the current idol [illegible] despite the fact that he is in his middle fifties) will not be coming with it.

He leaves the show next June for Hollywood where for the next year or two he will earn £1,000 every week—a rather higher salary I suspect than he got as the star of the Metropolitan Opera Company.

But I hope Mary Martin will be able to come to London. To hear her sing "I'm in Love with a Wonderful Guy" and "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair" is really something and her performance throughout can best be described in three words: Wonderful, wonderful, wonderful.

It is also my pleasant duty to report the success in New York of a young Englishman named George Minter who in just over a week has sold two British films to America. Earle Lyon have bought "The Glass Mountain" from which Minter reckons to take home a net profit of half a million.

His other film on which he has made a deal is the notorious "No Orchids for Miss Blandish" which one American exhibitor has referred to "as the finest exploitation picture ever to have come out of Britain."

Going To Town With The American Public

This may sound odd to those of us who get our films presented to us with such mild film adjectives as sensational, stupendous, colossal, etc.

But you get an idea of what the exhibitor means—and what the American public will swallow—when you see such slogans as "Lecherous debauchery—the true story of the life and loves of the sexmad monk," advertising the French film "Rasputin."

The boys who write these and such lines as "Allah be praised for such mighty entertainment as this" should have a field day with "No Orchids"—if Minter and his American colleagues can get it passed by the censor.

There is incidentally no doubt that British pictures are popular here. In the New York area some thirty British films are on view, ranging from "Hamlet" to "I Met a Murderer," which James Mason and Roy Kellino made twelve years ago at a cost of £3,000.

Unfortunately none of them is playing at a major cinema and the better films will not as a result earn the dollars they ought to be earning.

"Hamlet" still mystifies some of the less erudite, one New Yorker remarking after seeing it that he "Didn't think much of Shakespeare—the guy only writes in cliches."

Noted at random: Sonja Henie as pretty and plump as ever dining at the El Morocco. Xavier Cugat at the Copacabana watching the lamentable efforts of ex-world champ Tony Canzoneri to be as successful a comedian as he was a boxer.

Well maybe he was. He put me to sleep in the middle of the second joke.

The sharp and clear quality of the television—way ahead of anything I have seen in Britain.

The fantastically cheap clothing including nylon shirts which dry without wrinkles after washing and do not require ironing—price two pounds.

The absence of any British cars on the main streets. In three days and nights I only saw one.

Our Film Producers Miss Opportunities

Why does not the British Film Producers' Association do something about the poor quality of British films shown in the Queen Mary? With the Queens packed with returning Americans here is the opportunity to show Britain's best films—and not necessarily the most recent. We should be showing "Fallen Idol," "Oliver Twist," "Hamlet," "Scott of the Antarctic," and similar quality films on every westward trip and not such ordinary efforts as "Saints and Sinners."

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By MACUMAZAHN

Being a totally inadequate tribute to the memory of The Tientsin Volunteers.

Spring was in the air as we sat grouped on the verandah of the Astor House looking across Victoria Road to the Park rapidly filling people to sit among the lilac or rambling rose, or to saunter round the paths amid prim beds of gorgeous flowers. It was a peaceful scene in addition to being interesting.

Overhead, flocks of crows were coming in from the surrounding countryside to settle for the night on tree or roof-top. A Westerning sun was reddening the sky throwing over all an intricate screen of delicate hues that was but momentary before giving way to the sombre greys ann blacks of dusk that brought out in sharp silhouette the crenulated walls of Gordon Hall, where we were due in a few minutes to attend a ratepayer's meeting. This was in 1931 at Tientsin.

Our group that evening were all much the same in years, round 30 and so considered youngsters in the eyes of Old Hands. I do not think that one of us knew very much the object of that meeting beyond it forming an interesting diversion and a convenient rendezvous before proceeding to dinner at the Imperial Hotel, to which our invitations had been as casually verbal as the summons to the meeting. Among those round me were sons of residents of long standing. Whilst we all knew the subject up for discussion at the meeting, it was not surprising that our conversation was mainly relevant to aspects thereof and from much I heard I gathered Tientsin in general, suffered from divided interests of a social nature.

Became the meeting was quite an experience, for, though I had made myself acquainted with the interior of Gordon Hall soon after my arrival in port some six months previously, it chanced to be my first attendance at any function held therein presided over by a full turn-out of the City Fathers, as the Chairman and councillors were wont to the call, all of whom were in full dress from button-hole to spotless spats. On the platform with them was the Consul-General and the Commandant of the British Garrison. The Hall was packed, indeed it overflowed into the vestibule and onto the verandah.

Short Speeches

The speeches that followed were short and to the point. There was scarce reference to note on the part of the City Fathers: there was no need for such prompting, for it was not the occasion for homily or sermon; it was an appeal to every ratepayer to support the scheme in his own interests, present and future: it was an appeal to all single men, especially us youngsters, to sacrifice a few insignificant hours each week and by volunteering to do so assist, in no small measure, in the task of maintaining peace and good order within the Concession. The last official speaker happened to be the Commandant, who, in the best tradition, was non-committal; but who did discreetly hint that the scheme as a whole had the blessing of VIPs above. When the applause had subsided our attention was drawn to a little table that had meanwhile been positioned beneath the speaker and those of with interest were asked to step up and provide ourselves with forms. They were recruitment forms and a good many were signed up there and then.

Thus was created the Tientsin British Municipal Emergency Corps to carry on the fine traditions handed down by the then disbanded Tientsin Volunteer Corps.

Many of those City Fathers have crossed the Great Divide, peacefully oblivious of the cruel events that were to rock the Far East 10 years later. Some of them, alas! too few remain, may take heart that the lessons we learnt from following their historic appeal have brought us through the worst, battered and torn maybe, but with a grim determination to see it through.

The faith those City Fathers placed in the new Corps back in 1931 has not been broken.

We were not formed as a fighting force in the sense of regular soldiers, though our training was based on regular methods. We were not precisely a Defence Corps in the light of the meaning of that term as has arisen to-day. We were Auxiliaries pure and simple and volunteers at that, whose duties ranged over a very irregular area of about 1,000 acres within which resided some 45,000 Chinese as against 2,500 Foreigners, by no means all British.

At Last Moment

We were only disbanded at the last moment when the full force of complete occupation of the port was evidenced by the enemy, and the Concession changed owners.

In the aftermath we were not all lucky: that could not be. Some tasted internment. The majority joined the Colours wherever they happened to be. In Free China, Australasia, England, India, Burmah and Malaya. Many paid their own passages in their eagerness to do this. A number on arrival at an obvious enlistment point were turned down; but, undaunted, pushed on to another where they met success.

Except for a dozen or so who managed to keep together, we found ourselves rudely scattered and living a strangely different life, and we wondered how long it would be for.

We got to cursing men and things. We cursed equipment that flavoured of the Crimea and the Transvaal. We cursed the poorness and the monotony of the rations issued. We cursed the worst Indian beer, cigarettes and canteen stores we were issued with. We cursed our heavily [illegible] We cursed the broken-down transport issued us which forced cannibalisation to get anywhere. We cursed those that made these discomforts possible. We cursed the local trains and MCOs. We cursed inaccurate official statements, the returns we had to make—the work of others, the red tape and the gobbledygook. We cursed those that made these things possible. We cursed all Visiting Brass with vehemence. We cursed our fate at being meant for court-martial at every turn we took. We cursed the mud, the rain, the jungle and the plain. We cursed ourselves for being fools. And then we cursed when repat came! What a joke—well, such is the stuff Men are made of. . .

It may be rightly said that these members of the TBMEC played their parts well, carrying afield with each of them the traditions of the Old Brigade. Quite a number fought to a glorious and against overwhelming odds, in fact, so gallantly that the enemy honoured them by tying them to trees and disemboweling their bodies to prevent their spirits returning to this earth. Others dropped by the wayside in Malaya especially; Burmah and North Africa: all leaving us survivors to grieve their absence as one brother towards another.

Yes, there was something about membership in OUR Corps from the very beginning, something which is vital to success—esprit. And no Conscription, Ordinance or suchlike medium can create that desirable state.

There my tribute ends. What follows is a descriptive jaunt down Memory's Lane. Accompany me or not, just as you please.

To Be Continued

Captain W. Rider OBE, commanding the Tientsin British Municipal Emergency Corps, with the Chairman of the British Municipal Council, Tientsin, Mr. E. C. Peters. Taken at the French East Arsenal during the Corps' Easter Camp, 1936.

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World To Mark Start Of Second Global Conflict This Week

Washington, August 26.

On a Sunday evening, September 3, 1939, in Buckingham Palace, London, King George VI approached a microphone. Around the world, millions of people waited to hear his words.

The King spoke quiet, undramatically and with deep sadness: "For the second time in the lives of most of us we are at war. . . ."

On that day, 10 years ago, Great Britain and France formally announced they were at war once again with their old enemy, Germany. The immediate cause was Germany's grab for Poland, but Europe actually had been a battle-ground for a long time before conquest developed to high efficiency by Adolf Hitler.

It was a war the Allied nations tried desperately to avert. Nearly one out of every 20 people on earth into military service. More than 20,000,000 were casualties, 10,000,000 were brutally massacred and another 30,000,000 were driven from their homes. Lives and futures of the 2,000,000,000 people of some 70 nations were at stake.

When, actually, did it start? Not with the emergence of Hitler as German dictator in 1933. It began even before Benito Mussolini seized Fascist power in Italy in the mid-twenties.

Early Origins

Most historians believe its origins lay in the peace councils after the World War I armistice. World War II seems to be the unfinished part of that first world war. In any event the 20 years between the first and second phases was an uneasy peace, if it was peace at all.

The military might of Germany and her allies was crushed in 1918, but the idea of world conquest and national might continued to flourish and grow. And in a world which had known war during 12 out of 13 years for 3,000 years, the Treaty of Versailles proved lenient, toothless and naively trusting. There began an ambitious, systematic and deliberate defiance of the well-intentioned League of Nations.

The swarthy imitation Caesar rode into power in Italy—and at first people praised him because Italian trains for once arrived and left on time. Impoverished and dissent-torn Germany began to feel the power of National Socialism and heard about the dark-eyed Hitler. Japan, always with a weather eye on Europe and the main chance, dared the Mukden Incident which enabled her to snatch Manchuria.

By this time, the world was marching directly toward open conflict again. Italy invaded Ethiopia. The people of the Saar voted to return to Germany. Franco, a small-size composite of Hitler and Mussolini, started the Spanish revolution—welcomed as a testing ground by his fellow dictators.

Defies Treaty

Then Hitler, certain by this time there would be no reprisals and ready to brave a storm of threatening words, openly defied the peace treaty by marching his forces into demilitarised zones of the Rhineland. He was right—nothing happened.

The door was open for new German conquest, world conquest along lines Hitler had outlined in his book, "Mein Kampf," written years before. It was to be a new technique in warfare, undeclared aggression achieved by putting opposing elements within a nation against one another and, when exhausted, threatening the victim from its borders. And it worked like a charm—until Poland.

In the autumn of 1938 Hitler manoeuvred the worried and tense Britons into the fatted Munich Agreement between France, Great Britain, Italy and Germany. It was the major blunder of the appeasers, men of good will who were willing to make almost any sacrifices to avoid war.

Under its terms, Germany received a frontier area of Czechoslovakia called the Sudetenland. The theory of the surrender of the land was, ironically, a Wilsonian principle of national self-determination. Hitler conveniently adopted it on the claim the Sudeten population was predominantly German.

With the Munich Agreement the Nazi dictator made his grandiloquent promise. "The Sudetens are the last territorial demand I shall make in Europe . . . ." Many people—but not Winston Churchill—believed him.

Fifth Column Work

Hitler's fifth column and agents were already at work softening up what remained of Czechoslovakia for German consumption. Skilful underground work drove a wedge between the Czechs and Slovaks and forced a demand of Slovak autonomy. This broke the nation in two—and opened the way for dictatorship.

The Berlin mask was torn aside, revealing to the world that Hitler would be satisfied with nothing short of Czech capitulation. By March of 1939, Czechoslovakia was in chains, snapped on by threats of invasion and massacre. Czechoslovakia was established as a "protectorate" and Germany set to work to loot it clean.

But that was not the end. Germany turned her attention to Poland. The preliminaries were by this time familiar. There was the propaganda, stories designed to stir up hatred of the Poles.

There were the same old inflammatory "incidents" involving the purported mistreatment of Germans.

Like lightning striking suddenly came the news of the Ribbentrop-Molotov non-aggression pact between Germany and Russia. Hitler was free to act in the East. A week later the highly trained Nazi armies and air forces roared into Poland.

But two days after the non-aggression pact Poland and Great Britain, backed by France which for years had been an ally, buckled on her sword.

On the first day of September, 1939, 74 German divisions and two Slovak ones crossed the Polish border. Fleets of German planes flooded over the land, bombing 30 cities and killing indiscriminately men, women and children.

Outnumbered by more than 70 to one, the Poles fought every step of their retreat in the Blitzkrieg, hoping to lengthen German supply lines to a breaking point.

Britain and France went through the formalities of protests, but knew that the end of waiting and hoping had come. Germany, confident, responded to official demand, with curt answers and finally failed to respond at all to an ultimatum.

At 11 a.m., September 3, 1939, the world was again officially at war.—Associated Press.

May Bring Issue Before UN

Belgrade, August 26.

Well-placed Communist sources said today that Yugoslavia might seek to bring Russia before the United Nations if Moscow continued its meddling in Yugoslavia's internal affairs.

These sources said the final note to the Kremlin, referring to international obligations to which both countries were committed, was a direct reference to the United Nations Charter.

However, they said, Marshal Tito was awaiting Moscow's next move in the present war of nerves and would not make any move toward the United Nations unless the situation became worse.

Many diplomats also interpreted the final paragraph of the Yugoslav note as an indirect warning that Tito was prepared to bring the whole question before world public opinion.

However, some thought the Yugoslav government might choose the International Court, an adjunct to the United Nations, to adjudicate that part of the dispute dealing with 31 Soviet citizens under arrest here on charges of espionage.

The Yugoslavs meanwhile have shifted their home propaganda strategy. When the Soviet finally dropped the pretence that their differences with the Yugoslavs were entirely ideological, the Yugoslavs began to take their case to the outside world.

Visas are being granted to almost every reporter from the non-Soviet world, ranging from Left to Right. Writers, professors and "progressive" churchmen from the United States, France and other countries have been given "red carpet" receptions. They are permitted to travel almost anywhere they want and see anything they desire.

However, the Yugoslav press continues to lampoon everything imperialist, including Marshall Aid. It accuses Finland of using terroristic measures against Communist strikers and reports the death sentence of a Slovene "kulak" for obstructing the road to socialism by firing several collective houses.—United Press.

U.S. Air Force Cut Voted By Senate

Washington, August 26.

The Senate today voted to cut the Air Force back to 48 groups as recommended by President Truman, despite warnings that the action struck a "fundamental blow at our national defence."

It voted to cut the Air Force's contract authority by US$577,000,000 for the fiscal year 1950. That would permit it to buy only $1,415,000,000 worth of new planes.

Senator William Knowland (Republican, California) led a vain fight to prevent the reduction. He said Congress should hesitate to clip the wings of the eagle at a time when the danger of overt Communist aggression was so great.—United Press.

KING GEORGE VI

Strong Criticism Of Japanese Exclusion

San Francisco, August 26.

In a strong criticism of the wartime exclusion of those of Japanese blood from the West Coast, the United States District Court of Appeal today affirmed restoration of citizenship to three Japanese American women.

They, like thousands of others, had renounced their American citizenship.

The District Judge, Mr. William C. Mathes of Los Angeles, had held that the three women renounced citizenship not as a result of their free and intelligent choice, but rather because of mental fear, intimidation and coercions, depriving them of the free exercise of their will.

The Appeal Court here agreed, and in agreeing, it lambasted Lieutenant General John L. De Witt, Chief of the wartime Western Defence Command.

It was General De Witt, as top army commander in the West after Pearl Harbour, who issued the various civilian exclusion orders. Through these orders, persons of Japanese blood were removed from sea coast areas, and, in the court's words, were imprisoned at various relocation centres.

The appeal court here today upheld the verdict of the Los Angeles District Court that their citizenship, renounced while in the camps, be restored.

The court took note that "since the records.....show that the government is contesting some 4,000 similar cases of deportees who are seeking identical relief, we are giving consideration to these uncontested underlying facts, certain to have their effect upon the minds of the mass of deportees incarcerated at Tule Lake."

The opinion went on to criticise what it called General De Witt's Nazi-like doctrine of inherited racial enmity.

"A Japanese is a Japanese," the opinion quoted the General, and said this was his doctrine:

Nazi Doctrine

"It makes no difference whether he is an American citizen or not, he is still a Japanese. The Japanese race is an enemy race and while many second and third generation Japanese born on the United States soil, possessed of United States citizenship, have become Americanised, the racial strain is undiluted. We must worry about the Japanese all the time until he is wiped off the map."

The court decision was written by Judge William and concurred in by the judge, William Orr.

One thing that led to renunciation of U.S. citizenship among those in the camps, the court held, was their incarceration for more than two and a half years under conditions in major respects as degrading as those of a penitentiary, and in important respects worse than in any federal penitentiary.

In considering the wartime renunciation of citizenship, the court said, it is pertinent "what our incarcerated fellow citizens felt about it in their several years behind barbed wire under the machine guns of the soldiers in their prisons turrets."

The decision continued:

"For, as far as concerns the psychology of the renunciations to those, renouncing, and their surrounding companions, the beguiling words evacuation meant deportation; evacuees meant prisoners; relocation centre meant prison, and their single rooms, some crowding in six persons, meant cells, as they in fact were."

"One has no difficulty in realising the repeated recitals of such wrongs in the crowded, dust filled halls and cells of the Tule Lake center," the judges said, "and their effect upon the psychology of those here contemplating the value of an American citizenship."

Further, the court said, there was a gang of hoodlums at each camp, fanatically pro-Japanese, who beat and coerced the others into signing away their U.S. rights.

General De Witt, retired, lives in the East.—Associated Press.

Brownshirts Sentenced In Germany

Osnabrueck, August 26.

Seventeen former Nazi Brownshirts charged with setting fire to a synagogue at Meppen and maltreating Jews during the 1938 pogroms were sentenced here today to prison terms ranging from six months to six years.

Testifying before the German Criminal Court, Paul Alexander recalled how he was forced to march through the town of Meppen scantily clad while Brownshirts beat him.

Alexander told the Court that he was then dragged to the Brownshirts' headquarters and forced to crawl over broken glass while singing Jewish hymns.

Later, the Brownshirts threatened to shoot him but he was released and escaped to Britain.

Josef Eckeats, former Nazi district leader in Meppen, was found guilty of crimes against humanity and sentenced to six years in prison.

Three former Brownshirts received two and a half years and two others two years of imprisonment.

Ten of the accused were sentenced to six months' gaol.—Reuter.

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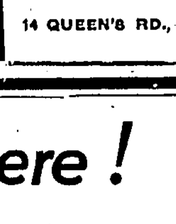

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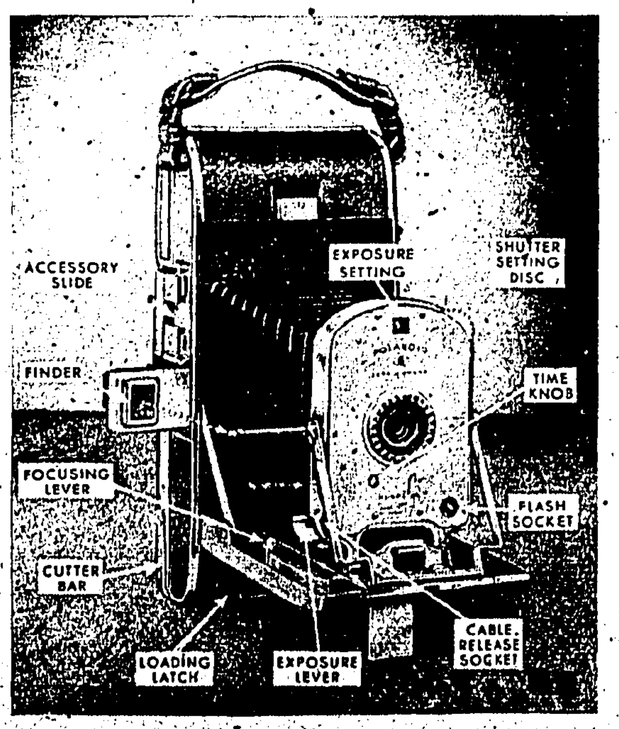

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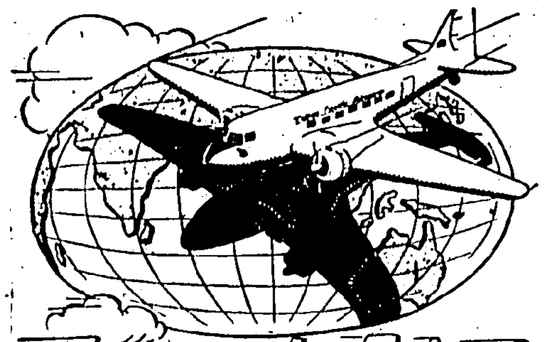

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Britain Must Speak Out

By 'OBSERVER'

A phone call from Hollywood has made me "hopping mad"

My colleague Jack Davies told me on the transatlantic 'phone of a conversation he had been having a few minutes earlier with a taxi driver as they were bowling along Sunset Boulevard.

"Americans,' said the cabby to Jack Davies, "don't know how lucky they are. They have no idea what things are like in Britain.. Can you wonder, bud? Nobody ever tells 'em!"

That remark crystallised for my colleague all the anti-British talk he had been-hearing during the past week in American film studios.

"They are making films out here which are down-right anti-British," he said. "No one here has any idea of what is going on in Britain. There are no shortage, you can eat yourself silly, buy any clothing quite cheaply. They think they are heavily taxed.

But why should I interpret the plans of an expert. Here is Mr. Bernays.

Britain is making a fundamental mistake. She is content to take things for granted, and is doing little to let the world know what she has done and what is going on.

British reticence is admirable, but it is dangerous for the world and the future of democracy. It might be fatal.

I do not want to change Britain. I should hate anything to change her. I want to change the values that the people of the world place on the British people, give the world the chance to know as much about things that go on here as Whitehall knows. How else can you expect people to be friendly and understanding?

Your first need is to find the right kind of people to represent your country and let him sit in Downing-street at all Cabinet meetings.

There he can be ready to advise on all questions that have international public relations aspects. The best statesmen are not necessarily the best publicists. They could be the worst..

Not Good Enough

I feel that this is a very serious matter for Britain. A good name is of the utmost importance. Make plans for your good name as you would organise a great military operation. For this is to be a peacetime educational campaign to spread the truth about Britain through the world.

It is not good enough to set up offices everywhere and supply written handouts for the Press of foreign countries. It is not enough to take foreign newspaper men and radio chiefs out to dinner.

First, you must find out what the ignorance, the misconceptions and false rumours about Britain are, and how they arose. There may be differing misconceptions about the same thing in different parts of the world. These must be ferreted out through research and dealt with accordingly.

Denials are not enough. Positive news must also be projected to intensify favourable attitudes towards Britain.

Every organisation that puts out facts about Britain must operate according to a broad strategic plan. It should make a research of what is wanted and of what misconceptions need adjusting. Its efforts then can be definitely successful.

Let me give an example. The recent municipal elections in this country which brought the defeat of hundreds of Socialists was seized upon by the Americans as a defeat for the Government. They believed that Mr. Attlee was out of office. They did not know what municipal elections are in Britain. Information should be put out in terms of the people dealt with.

Internally, too, in Britain itself, there are some very big mistakes made which create bad impressions on foreign visitors. Many potential good friends have been lost by irritating pinpricks, which can completely upset a foreign visitor's holiday.

There are a few things which have struck me already since I arrived in Britain.

Bewildered Tourists

Hotel charges are confusing. What does a "service charge" mean to a foreigner? Why does it vary from place to place?

An American has heard a lot about austerity in Britain.' The day he arrives he sees the florist next to his hotel displaying orchids and other expensive flowers. It does not make sense to him unless he is told that orchids do not cost dollars and are one of the few legitimate luxuries.

Cigarettes are scarce in Britain. An American is not allowed to bring in more than 400. I do not know the answer to that one. After 10 days he has to join queues to get a smoke. That does not improve his temper or help your goodwill.

And why is the able and knowledgeable head of the American Information Department also British Foreign Office tucked away in a small back room at the end of layringthine passages in a London house? This does not exactly give the impression that American opinion is valuable to the British.

British Goodwill

It would help everybody enormously if you supplied every foreign visitor with a little booklet on points about Britain and the British—a similar publication to that issued to all GIs to read while on their way to Britain. Similarly, why not tell hotel keepers more about foreign visitors?

Why the twopenny charge for a stamp when a visitor presents a letter of credit to a bank? It isn't much, but the principle of having to pay to use your own money to spend in another country can do more than two pennyworth of ill-will.

These may be thought small points but they can be magnified a million times. They need to be taken care of in the interests of British goodwill not only inside Britain but all over the world.

Useless Publicity Is our Downfall

There is no doubt that Britain's prestige in the United States and in many parts of the world is at a low ebb. Headlines in the newspapers of the world reflect an attitude against Britain which is pretty nigh universal.

This is a serious business for the whole future of Britain.

You have got to get it put right and if you do not set about it scientifically you will just be wasting your money.

Isolated information bureaux, scattered here and there, working in the dark, wasting money, churning out printed matter that goes straight into a million waste-paper baskets, are useless.

A co-ordinated and centralised public relations policy and programme, geared to internal and external activities, is vital to building goodwill for Britain.

Look at it this way: What does it matter if a country wins half a dozen wars if it loses the goodwill of the world?

REPORT ON A REVOLUTION

By D.V. TAHMANKAR,

On the surface little has changed in India. Snake-charmers still go on playing doleful tunes, the street magician grows his mango tree out of the blue, and the village dhobi (washerman) beats shirts and shorts on the rock in the river bed.

Underneath all this apparent "no-change" a mighty revolution is taking shape and profoundly affecting India—politicall, economically, and spiritually.

Added Territory

Sardar Patel, the 74-year-old Deputy Prime Minister, who started his political career by helping to sweep the streets of his native city of Ahmedabad, has practically swept off the map 550 Indian States and has added to the Indian Union territory 384,294 square miles and 49,000,000 people.

To appreciate Patel's success one has merely to refer to Lord Dalhousie's policy of annexation—he was India's Governor-General almost 100 years ago—which drew upon him the wrath of the Princes, who rebelled against the British in 1857.

Patel has rightly been called the Bismarck of India: his bloodless conquest of the proud princely order indeed staggers the imagination and challenges history.

While political and administrative homogeneity was thus being achieved by the elimination of the States, Pandit Nehru was forging ahead to the goal of social equality by the abolition of Untouchability, the curse of India for the past 500 years and more.

The Hindu caste system had reduced 50,000,000 of the population to utter degradation and sub-human life. The Untouchables were required to carry from their waist a broom to sweep away from behind them the dust they trod on, lest a high-caste Hindu walked on the same and was polluted.

In the new India the Untouchable is no longer a pariah. All his disabilities are abolished by law, and it is a criminal offence to regard any member of the community as untouchable.

Today one finds him eating in popular restaurants with the high-caste Hindus. Every sacred temple in the country, where h was denied entry a few months ago, is open to him for worship.

With political liberty has come social equality, and Pandit Nehru's idea of a secular State is welding the Indian community into one unified people.

The spiritual and psychological change that has come upon India since her independence is still more amazing.

Trusted Friend

Only a few years ago the Indian National Congress was preaching the boycott of British goods. Today the fashionable shops of Connaught-circus, New Delhi (akin to Kensington and Oxford-circus rolled into one) vie with each other in displaying goods with the proud label "Made in Engand." A Briton is no more a hated alien—he is a trusted friend.

Herein lies the secret of India's remaining in the Commonwealth, and accepting the King as symbol of the free association of her independent member nations and as such the head of the Commonwealth.

It is fair to state that Pandit Nehru alone could take this historic decision as he was the man to give India the slogan of "Complete independence outside the British Empire."

Consciously or subconsciously the Indian leaders think that India has to assume the leadership of Asia; and the people of South East Asia, too, look to India for help in their struggle for independence.

India has taken the keenest interest in the Dutch-Indonesian dispute, and was responsible for calling a Commonwealth Conference on Burma when last summer things began to take an ugly turn in that part of the world.

The West must surely appreciate the fact that the centre of political gravity has shifted to Delhi and is conditioning India's attitude and approach to problems of war and peace as they would affect the Asian people as a whole.

Pandit Nehru's Government is no less alive to the growing menace of Communism. The events in China and Burma are profoundly affecting the Indian masses, who are passing through an economic output and high prices.

Ordered Asia

It is appreciated in India that her internal stability is dependent on an orderly and peaceful Asia, where the low agrarian standard of life is proving a useful handle for Communist hischief.

India chose to remain in the Commonwealth for the obvious reason that by doing so she would secur the necessary military aid, technical advice, and industria equipment from Britain and America. These are, perhaps, the only countries which can give her this help, which will enable her to raise the standard of living of her masses and resist Communist pressure.

Her strategic importance in the defence system of the Commonwealth is too apparent to need detailed elaboration. Her independent status has changed the balance of power in the Indian Ocean and has made her responsible for the security of the Asian continent.

In Asia, excluding the USSR., India is the third largest producer of coal and the largest producer of iron ore; her oil output stands at nearly 90,000,000 gallons a year; and as regards manganese India produces practically the whole of Asia's output.

Sure Leaders

This great potential industrial strength, coupled with her enormous man-power—the total population of the Commonwealth is 469,800,000, out of which India claims 320,000,000—has made India's leaders confident.

In evolving the new formula to enable India to remain in the Commonwealth, British and Indian statesmen have indeed displayed the necessary quality in constructive courage and imaginative approach.

They have forged an Anglo-Indian partnership on equal terms which will form a bridge between the resurgent Orient and the Western Democracies.

India's independent existence can truly be described as a courageous experiment in constructive revolution.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

So many petitions are sent to the Governor these days that it must be exceedingly difficult for him and his representatives to deal with all of them as fully as they might wish. We are, however, distinctly encouraged that groups of people in this amorphous and self-centred community should now be coalescing to improve the basic usages and values of human existence.

No less than 3,200 persons have signed a plea against the devilish destruction of that old domestic friend, the dog, whose flesh is regarded by some superificially-civilised mediaevalists as possessing magical powers, particularly in the aphrodisiac line. But even the mistaken belief that a dish of dog meat can make an overfed merchant appear more virile to his latest concubine is no excuse in a British colony for indulging in such inhuman cruelties as stringing up a poor animal until its sinews creak in agony, and then beating it to death at leisure. Cutting its throat would apparently not do for the savant who first thought up the notion. —We were going to say "bestial," but no beast has ever engaged in such vile practices.

The Anglo-Saxon peoples have for many centuries accepted the dog into their home, more as a friend and companion than the excellent guardian of their property that he is. Over countless generations he has passed over almost entirely from the wild animal kingdom to that of man, so that even his thoughts (and he has them) are conditioned by those of his human associates. Volumes have been written, mostly in English, about his loyalty, selflessness, courage, intelligence, protectiveness and genuine capacity for love to the point of death.

The dog will fearlessly challenge the most heavily armed burglar of his master's home, while allowing the baby of the house to smack him on the nose and tweak his tail. He knows that the small child is helpless in his power, and he respects the charge. (And when we say "he," you can add another 25 per cent to most of the good qualities when it comes to discussing the female.)

In other words—in case the rest of the world does not realise it by now—the Anglo-Saxons take great pride in the kindly treatment of dogs, and indeed of all domestic animals. At Home, the most preoccupied of governments have been forced by militant organisations of ordinary people to pass laws imposing heavy penalties on anyone guilty of cruelty to dumb creatures. These are stringently enforced, and in Britain there is hardly a single citizen who would not protest vehemently if he saw an instance of what we regard as misbehaviour.

Hong Kong should have equally heavy penalties, and even though little help would be given to the authorities, the results would be worth while. Finally, the collection of sick, unwanted dogs should also be started, to save them from the torture chambers where their shivering fellows have to watch their long-drawn-out death agonies.

Americans Suspect We Bear Ill-Will

"When I told one executive at M-G-M that only 70 people in Britain had net incomes of more than £6,000 a year, he replied: 'Oh, yeah? There are more people in this studio alone earning more than that.'

"I have told them about the size of the British meat ration," went on Jack Davies. "They are amazed. They can't quite grasp the idea. They seem to suspect an anti-American attitude in Britain. They don't know the facts—and there's no one here to tell them. If we do not tell them soon matters will become worse."

With such a background it can be realised why Hollywood is one of the main breeding grounds of stories of British ineptitude. It is not the only one.

For the past 50 years the story has echoed round the world that Britain is degenerate, and on at least two occasions it has taken a war to adjust this misconception. I hope it will not need a third.

Are you surprised that my talk with Davies made me mad? It sent me hunting for a man who would know what Britain must tell the world.

The Man With The Answers

I did not want evasive official statements and excuses and I was so mad that I could not wait for a carefully worded memorandum from an official in Whitehall. I wanted the advice of an expert.

I found him—an ace publicist, a man whose job it is to popularies people and ideas and who has done it so successfully that he is ranked as the greatest publicity expert in the world.

He is, as one might expect, an American. His name—Edward L. Bernays, and he is in Britain to study the public relations machinery in Whitehall.

I found him at Claridge's hotel where he is co-ordinating his report on our publicity methods and policies.

Britain's declining reputation, the misunderstandings about her aims and achievements, the ignorance of her plight and its cause have intrigued him.

AMERICAN REDS ON TRIAL

By GEOFFREY BARBER

In the musty courtroom of the Federal Court House, New York, where America's top 11 Communists are on trial, a slight noise like the distant chirping of birds is all that can be heard of the clamour that goes on outside.

Across the street from the Court-house in Foley Square as many as 500 raucous young Communists march up and down every day carrying placards and shouting slogans. The men are usually tanned and cheerful, dressed in polo shirts and dungarees with their hair cropped short, the girls long haired, in arty Greenwich Village-style dresses and ballet pumps.

While the police look on, they shout things like: "One, two, three, four, we don't want to go to war; five, six, seven, eight, we don't want a Fascist State." They parade with the enthusiasm of children on a romp rather than imminent victims of American Fascism. Snow, rain and blistering heatwaves never deter them.

They provide an unchanging background for one of the most trial the American 11-man Politburo for conspiracy to overthrow the Government of the United States by force and violence has dragged on ever since January and there is little indication that it will be over for at least another two months.

Over the passage of the months the trial has ceased to be big news in the United States, reaching the main pages of the newspapers only when there is some particularly lurid duel between one of the tough defending lawyers and the long-suffering Judge Harold Medina.

But it is almost impossible to over-estimate its importance to the future of the United States and it is so fantastically different from any other trial in American history that no one can even begin to guess how the whole thing will end.

Interminable Cycle

Even if Mr. Francis X. McGohey, prosecuting attorney, succeeds in getting a conviction—and no betting man would touch the case either way—the Communists will immediately appeal and start the interminable cycle over again.

In effect, the Justice Department was putting the American Communist Party on trial when it roused the country's top Communists from their beds one night last winter and charged them with the alleged conspiracy for which they are now being tried.

Judgment in favour of the prosecution would almost certainly lead to the outlawing of the whole Party in the United States.

Since then, however, many things have happened. William Z. Foster, titular head of the American Communists, but actually inferior in influence to Party secretary Eugene Dennis, has bowed out of the trial owing to illness.

More importantly, the Cold War has—temporarily at least—frozen. The trial which opened at the peak of American anti-Communist hysteria, is now wallowing uncomfortably in some of the friendliest East-West international relations since the end of the war.

Whatever happens, the effect of the trial on all who have taken part in it will be deep and scarring. For the jury—mostly working men and housewives—the sheer physical achievement of sitting through it all silently five days a week for six months is phenomenal.

For Judge Harold Medina, the ordeal has been even greater, and he has aged visibly since the trial started. The sunburned, well-dressed judge, who had a remarkable facial resemblance to Adolphe Menjou, has become heavy-eyed and tired but there is little doubt that he can sit the case out to the bitter end.

The 10 defending lawyers—Eugene Dennis is defending himself—almost certainly face disciplinary action which may end their careers when the trial is over, thanks to their noisy and uncontrolled conduct in court.

Delaying Tactics

They began the case by delaying the start of the trial seven weeks with objections against the selected jury. Since then hardly a single item of evidence goes without objection from one of them, or often all of them talking at once.

There seems little doubt that this six-month barrage of protests has been a deliberate plan to break Judge Medina's patience and force him to say something that they can use as a weapon if the case comes to an appeal. Sometimes their policy has succeeded to the extent that the weary Judge has had to call recesses so that he could lie down and relax his nerves.

From the start the 59-year-old Judge has been leaning over backwards in his attempts to be scrupulously impartial and give the defence no excuse to claim an unfair trial.

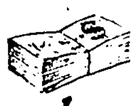
But tempers flare daily. Frequently, the clashes have been so explosive that, in retrospect, they stand out as greater landmarks than any evidence that has yet been produced.

Biggest row led to John Gates, editor of the New York "Daily Worker," being sent to prison for contempt of court and he was quickly followed by two of his co-defendants. Gates had refused to answer testimony which he thought might incriminate his comrades, and Judge Medina, his patience snapping, packed him off to prison.

When two of the defendants jumped up to protest he sent them to prison too. Since then there has been noticeably more order in the court.

To-day, Judge Medina, amid the inevitable protests, is trying to cut the trial short by limiting objections and keeping defence testimony rigidly to the point. Whether it will work yet nobody knows—it isn't the first time he has tried to streamline proceedings.

Only thing agreed on by all parties and Parties concerned is the remark uttered by the Judge at some distant point in this timeless case when he said helplessly: "This is the doggonedest trial I ever saw."



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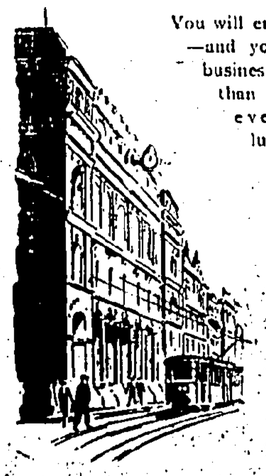

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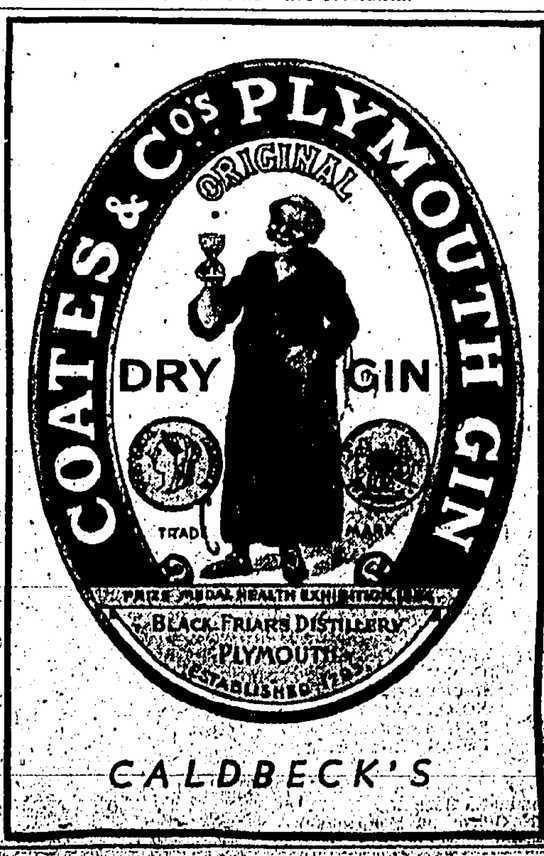

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HOFFMAN PROPOSES TWO POINTS FOR BRITISH RECOVERY

Trebling Of Total Volume Of British Dollar Exports

URGES MORE SELLING

London, August 26.

Mr. Paul Hoffman, Marshall Aid Administrator, today proposed two minimum goals which British industry should set for itself and begin right now to achieve in order to close the dollar gap.

They were: (1) An increase by at least five times of the number of British firms energetically engaged on selling to the dollar market.

(2) The trebling of the total volume of British dollar exports from US$600,000,000 to US$1,800,000,000.

"These are practical goals and potentially realisable," Mr. Hoffman told a press conference.

They were within reach as British industry and British labour combined low cost of production with dynamic merchandising.

Mr. Hoffman said that the Dollar Export Board and he were in agreement that more production was not the whole solution.

It was only the beginning. What was needed was higher productivity plus rigorous, imaginative and skilful merchandising.

The fact must be candidly and constructively faced that while British production and export generally were going up the percentage of Britain's total exports to the United States had declined from little over six per cent in the immediate pre-war years to four per cent in 1948, Mr. Hoffman said.

British manufacturers had not yet begun to tap the huge reservoir of American buying power.

That was a very large market. In 1948 its gross national product was $254,000 million.

"Just one per cent of that sum spent on British goods and the dollar gap can be more than closed," Mr. Hoffman declared.

Tourist Trade

One contribution suggested by Mr. Hoffman towards helping to close the dollar gap was an increase of American tourist trade in Britain which, he said, could be trebled.

Speaking of criticism in America towards Britain and vice-versa, Mr. Hoffman said, "If there is a little more heat and criticism now than usual it reflects concern, not hostility either way on the part of the overwhelming majority of American and British citizens."

"I can assure you that the great mass of Americans entertain towards the British people feelings of deep and abiding friendship. We know that our two countries and the Commonwealth must stand together, work together, stick together along with all free nations if we are to realise our hopes for economic success and lasting peace for the world," Mr. Hoffman stated.

Devaluation Overrated

Asked whether he thought devaluation of Sterling would be helpful, Mr. Hoffman replied, "I consider that devaluation as a cure-all for all problems has been much overrated."

Asked whether he thought the European Recovery Programme would fail or succeed in its objective by 1952 Mr. Hoffman said it was his belief and hope that if the Marshall Plan continued for a four-year period, and if the participating countries devoted themselves not only to self-help but also to mutual aid to the fullest extent to which they were capable, Europe's economy as a whole could be on a self-supporting basis.

That did not mean that there might not be individual countries still facing problems.

Asked whether there was any acute danger of Economic Co-Operation Administration appropriations being stopped next year, Mr. Hoffman said, "I think it all depends on what happens in the next few months."

The American people, so far as he knew, were more than two-thirds in favour of continued assistance.

"I think that only failure on the part of all of us to meet our tasks would bring about any change in policy," he said.—Reuter.

'Well, At Least We've Got As Far As Everybody Telling Everybody Else That We've Got To Work Harder'

Yugoslavia Refinery Blown Up

Belgrade, August 26.

Reliable reports said tonight that Yugoslavia's largest oil refinery was blown up on Wednesday night, at the Adriatic port of Rjeca (Fiume), and Cominform-directed sabotage was suspected.

About 10 days ago, according to persistent but unconfirmable reports, four planes of unknown nationality flew into Yugoslavia from the direction of Albania and bombed the Yugoslav air force centre at Pristia, only 22 air miles from the Albanian frontier.

These reports said one Yugoslav military plane was destroyed. They added that Yugoslav flak batteries fired for four hours during the daytime assault. However, the reports could not be confirmed.

All the reports came on the heels of the Soviet note of August 18, which warned that more effective measures would be taken against Marshal Tito's government unless it stopped persecuting Soviet citizens.

Still Raging

The report of the refinery explosion said uncontrollable fires still raged in the "United Yugoslavia" plant, which processes all the crude oil that Yugoslavia imports. The plant was taken over from the Italians following the peace treaty, had been greatly expanded by the Yugoslav government and was the only modern Yugoslav refinery.

Simultaneously, it was learned from responsible sources that the 8,000-ton Partizanka, Yugoslavia's largest ship, was severely damaged when it was set afire in Split two weeks ago. The government has started an investigation, but so far no report has been made on what also is suspected as sabotage.

Three trains have been destroyed in the past month in the same Adriatic area. Monday night Togor Yujasinovic, Minister of Railways, warned all rail men to be a on the alert for sabotage. He said the Cominform campaign, which had begun with a political attack and then was followed by economic blockade, had failed and "nowadays we can expect sabotage."—United Press.

Mr. Spaak's Stirring Words At Assembly

Strasbourg, August 26.

M. Paul-Henri Spaak, President of the European Assembly, declared in a broadcast from Strasbourg tonight that "We stand between the hostile giant Russia and the giant of the United States, generous and understanding."

He continued, "The true question, the only question, is to know whether we can revive the prestige and influence of old Europe, defend her Chistian and humanitarian civilisation, and create the economic conditions which will enable her peoples to live happily by their labour, in peace and social justice."

"Europe will not be built in a day nor in a year," he added.

"But we shall soon know whether it is possible for us to enter the path leading to a new and triumphant future, or whether we must resign ourselves to a struggle merely to retard the decadence of a continent whose glories in every field are well worth preserving.

"The great countries of Western Europe cannot, any more than the small ones, save themselves by themselves.

"Their economic inter-dependence is such that our respective wealth or poverty cannot in the long run be kept apart. For my part, I feel myself as much affected by the difficulties assailing any one of the countries of Europe as by those touching my own country" (Belgium).

Broadcasting in French in a special contribution to the European Service of the British Broadcasting Corporation, M. Spaak continued, "The great majority of the delegates to the Strasbourg Assembly share these feelings. This is excellent. Now we must act. The problem has been put, the difficulties to be resolved have been defined, and the means to be employed to reach the goal are known.

To Show Logic

"It remains to show ourselves logical, daring and courageous, in refusing to allow ourselves to be held back by out-dated traditions, of national egotisms, which are today still so strong, by the mad and vain hope that it is still possible to save ourselves by ourselves.

"To my mind economic problems dominate all others, and among these are problems of currency, and those concerned with the social legislation of the various countries."

M. Spaak said that men from 12 different countries had, almost without any differences, succeeded in making of their Assembly not an academic gathering but a real Parliament.

Meanwhile, Mr. Will Nally, British Labour delegate to the 12-nation European Council, hit out strongly today against American critics of social security.

Speaking in the Council's Social security debate, Mr. Nally, Labour Member of Parliament for Bilston, Wolverhampton, declared that "whatever else may or may not happen we are not going to have the face of social security developments in Europe determined by the threats or blusters of a handful of stupid but powerful men in United States politics.

"Frank Words"

Addressing a "few frank words to our American friends," Mr. Nally said that "one of the things which is not under discussion, and will not be under discussion so far as the United Kingdom is concerned, is whether or not we should reduce our social security standards because a certain element of thought in the United States thinks it would be a good idea if we did."

Mr. Nally paid tribute to the help given by the United States of America and said Europe was following with interest the struggle being waged by Mr. Truman and his administration to improve and develop social security in the United States.

"We wish him well," he said, but added that it was also necessary to talk to other Americans —"a tiny minority of stupid people.

Only 39 representatives out of 161 were present when Mr. Nally said he hoped the limited attendance did not mean any lack of interest in this important matter.

"In my country," he said, "we control house building. We shall continue to do so. We do not propose to give the opportunity in Britain to profiteers to dip their dirty hands deep into the pockets of the people because they are short of houses."

"If I were a Frenchman I should regard the most dangerous thing in Germany at the moment as the absence of elementary social justice in aspects of German life," Mr. Nally said.

In some areas of Germany they were repairing cinemas while the people were without houses.—Reuter.

Deny Illegal Detention Of Japanese Boats

Tokyo, August 26.

The Chinese Nationalist authorities have denied the illegal detention of Japanese fishing boats, but have not yet formally answered the SCAP protest, a Chinese Mission spokesman said today.

The Chinese Navy in Canton has declared that a Chinese gunboat has captured four Japanese fishing boats during the month of May, but they were captured near Tinghai outside "General MacArthur's Line," the spokesman said.

It was pointed out that fishing boats were detained for illegal invasion of Chinese territorial waters and the crews will be sent back to Japan.—Reuter.

Argentina Approves Trade Pact

Buenos Aires, August 26.

The Argentine Chamber of Deputies today approved the Anglo-Argentine trade pact by 96 votes to 28 after a stormy 44-hour continuous session.

Half a dozen Cabinet Ministers had defended the pact against violent attacks by the Opposition.

Tempers became so frayed at one stage that a Peronista deputy, Eduardo Colom, tried to draw a revolver.

Cries of "imbecile" and "coward" were repeatedly heard above the bell calling the Chamber to order.

The debate began on Wednesday night, and when dawn broke today the deputies were still pleading and snarling.

The Chamber also decided by 97 votes to 29 to pass to a special committee a Radical resolution proposing the nationalisation of the Argentine petroleum industry and the establishment of a State monopoly.—Reuter.

Americans Pardoned

Batavia, August 25.

The Dutch High Commissioner has pardoned the three American fliers convicted on charges of running guns into Indonesia, the United States Consulate announced today.

Onstott, Seigrist and Hallam were released from prison in Bandoeng, Java, 75 miles from Batavia.

Consular officials said the three expected to return to Batavia on Friday and may be returned to Manila on a U.S. military plane next week.

The three were tried by a Dutch magistrate.—Associated Press.

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PROHIBITED MIGRANTS TO BE SENT TO HK

Sydney, August 27.

The Commonwealth Immigration Department has chartered a plane to take 38 Chinese, claimed to be prohibited migrants, to Hong Kong tomorrow, usually reliable sources stated here today.

The Chinese were arrested in the first big drive to deport about 600 wartime refugees under the provisions of the Commonwealth Government's Wartime Refugees Removal Act, which makes aliens who entered Australia during the war liable to deportation.

Immigration officers are reported to be still rounding up Chinese for deportation but they have refused to disclose the number arrested.

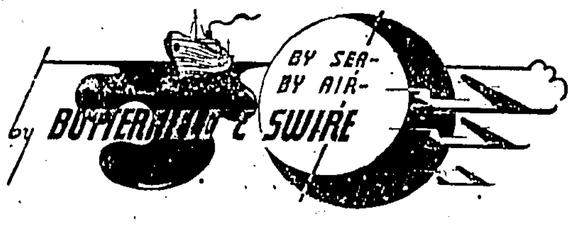
Mr. C. Mosley, a Sydney solicitor, said that he would ask the Commonwealth Crown Solicitor's Department on Sunday morning to prevent the flight until the Australian High Court could deal with a legal action to test the validity of the deportations.

Mr. Mosley gave the opinion that the purpose of the Immigration Department's move was to defeat action to allow the Chinese to remain in Australia.

Earlier this week Mr. S. Y. Woo, the Chinese Consul-General here, said that he had protested to the Australian Immigration Department against the detention in gaol of 11 Chinese seamen awaiting deportation under the Wartime Refugees Removal Act.

He said that the Immigration authorities told him that the men would have to stay in prison until the 4,324-ton vessel Taiping sailed to China in about three weeks' time.

Three days ago Mr. A. A. Calwell, Australian Immigration Minister, said that the 600 Chinese wartime refugees to Australia now being rounded up for deportation were being sent to Hong Kong as a central point from which they could go to any part of China they chose.—Reuter.



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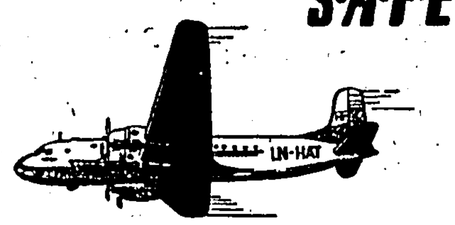

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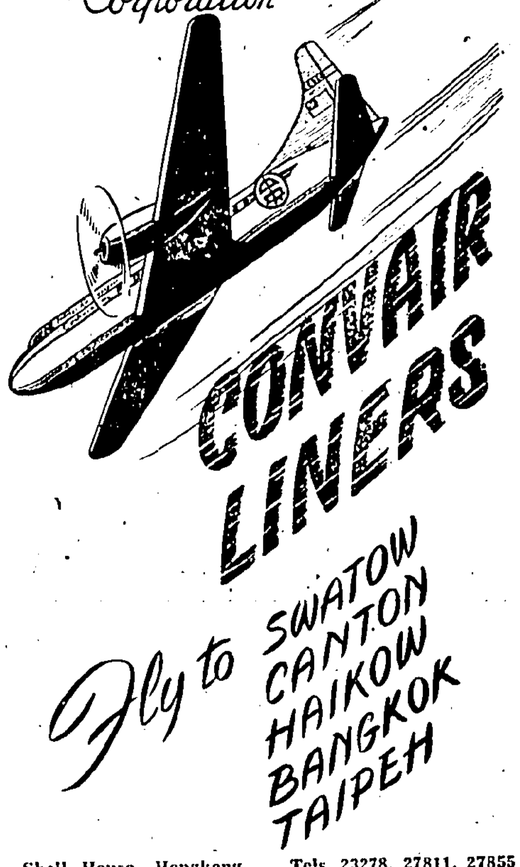

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MANY HAPPY RETURNS

By EDWARD HOWE

"As, when a thing is shapen, it shall be." These wise and philosophical words of Chaucer, applied so many years later, exactly describe the high destiny that Queen Elizabeth has filled so nobly.

Many years later a gipsy woman mingling with the crowds at Ascot in 1919 must surely have had these words in her mind when without hesitation, she singled out from a large party a happy carefree girl then known as Lady Elizabeth Angela Marguerite Bowes-Lyon. The dark eyes of that gipsy woman were serious as she foretold what must have then sounded like a fairy tale dream. She said:

"You will one day be a Queen and the Mother of a Queen."

That prophesy was uncanny in its accuracy. But it left unsaid much that is now known and treasured in the minds of British people throughout the world.

Once Queen Elizabeth took over the heavy burden of Queenship she has never been content to let a thing "be." Her Majesty began to shapen herself, conscious always of a high sense of duty and guided by an instinctive kindliness and radiant charm that has captivated the hearts of million.

Forty one years ago she was born, the youngest daughter of the 14the Earl of Strathmore, Thane of Glamis, in a red brick Queen Anne house at St. Paul's Waldenbury, in Hertfordshire.

Most of Queen Elizabeth's childhood was spent in Hertfordshire. Three months every year, however, she spent at Glamis Castle in Forfarshire, a majestic, sandstone home, built with thick walls, wide stone stairways and many secret chambers.

Hospital Work

Lady Elizabeth's fourteenth birthday was marked by the outbreak of World War. I. The following war years were mainly spent at Glamis. Glamis Castle was converted into a hospital.

Taking her war work seriously Lady Elizabeth joined the soldier patients, many of whom came from Australia and New Zealand, in games and sang to them old Scottish ballads. In the kitchen she baked scones and quickly acquired all the housewifely arts.

Once she showed great presence of mind. A fire broke out in the castle. After calling the fire brigade she efficiently organised a chain of salvage workers.

It was at Glamis, in 1921, that Lady Elizabeth, during her mother's illness, acted as hostess. Chief among the guests that year were Queen Mary and the Duke of York.

This was not the first meeting of the present King and Queen. The first occasion was when Lady Elizabeth was only five years old. They met at a children's party and ate ices together.

QUEEN ELIZABETH

Ten years later, at their next meeting, Prince Albert recognised her instantly and smilingly recalled their first encounter.

After the next meeting, at Glamis, they were often seen together at dinners and dances in London. The Duke of York proposed marriage during a walk in the woods of St. Paul's, Waldenbury. Next day a smiling and happy prince hurried to Sandringham to tell his parents of his betrothal.

On January 16 1923, the Court Circular officially stated: "It is with the greatest of pleasure that the King and Queen announced the betrothal of their beloved son, the Duke of York, to the Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Strathmore, to which the King has gladly given his consent."

In Westminster Abbey on April 26, 1923, Lady Elizabeth became Duchess of York.

On that memorable day the Royal bride made a silent gesture that touched all hearts at home and abroad. As she entered the Abbey she placed her bouquet of white roses on the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior.

This act was typical of her and one that she repeated in a million ways since. In her own moment of happiness she found occasion to think of the soldiers killed during that first World War, including her own brother Fergus. She was immediately accepted into the foremost place in the millions of homes of British people.

Shared the Dangers

This is not the place to touch on all the fateful events that led to the colourful Coronation ceremony in Westminster Abbey on May 12, 1937. That belongs to another page of history.

Queen Elizabeth was the third Queen-Consort of her name in English history.

Following the Coronation season in London an extensive tour of the provinces brought the Queen into close touch with her people in all parts of the country. There can hardly be a corner of the British Isles that has not been visited by the most travelled woman in the country.

Outstanding in the events of 1938 was the Royal tour of Lancashire that filled four days, covered some 200 miles by road, and embraced 38 towns.

The outbreak of the second war brought the same anxieties and difficulties to the Queen in the Palace as to every other woman in the land.

She shared London's dangers with them and parted with her children for a while as an example to the mothers of Britain.

Domestic staff was cut in the Palace, wardrobe economies were enforced and strict rationing introduced. Twice a week the Queen sat with the members of her household at sewing parties making hospital necessities.

Solace In a Smile

Nowhere was her presence more encouraging, more gratefully appreciated, than in badly bombed areas in all parts of the country. As Mr. Churchill said: "Many an aching heart found some solace in her gracious smile."

The war over the Royal routine was never relaxed. There are few holidays for the hardest working woman in the land.

The Queen made her first flight as Queen when she flew to Jersey. In February, 1947, the Queen accompanied the King and the two Princesses in a 10,000-mile tour of South Africa.

In the same year she saw her eldest daughter married at Westminster Abbey. Her happy smiles on that occasion showed her obvious pride and pleasure. "Just like any mother, isn't she," the crowd said.

That is Queen Elizabeth's keynote in life. Just like any woman, Queen Elizabeth would have liked to spend her birthday on her native soil in Scotland, but duty called.

As Queen, wife, mother and grandmother Queen Elizabeth had a quiet birthday dinner and the people in the land all joined in wishing "Many happy returns of the day."

Four Points For UN From Mr. Lie

By JOHN FISHER

The hot summer has brought a new fighting spirit to the United Nations, which is reopening its General Assembly at Lake Success next month.

At this Assembly the Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, will press for a four-point programme: (1) A field service force of 300 men carrying side arms when necessary; (2) Retention of the veto in full; (3) Shorter speeches by delegates, and (4) Less "snootiness" towards new countries becoming members.

Fourteen countries have asked to be admitted, and some of them have been waiting for more than two years.

United Nations planners are convinced that the General Assembly should be as representative as possible and should not turn into a kind of exclusive club.

Surprising Sense

They have also learned by experience that the small powers taken together can talk a surprising amount of sense. The Berlin question showed that they can act as a kind of political wet blanket over the hot heads of extremists.

The field service force has been a favourite idea of Mr. Lie's for some time.

He would like to recruit 300 men from the services of member Governments and to enlist them for a period of one to three years for protective and technical duties both at headquarters and in the field—presumably, in such places as Palestine, Greece and Kashmir.

At the meeting next month Mr. Lie will undoubtedly try to get members to agree to keep the veto, even if it appears to make things unworkable on a short-term basis.

His argument is that none of the world's problems can be settled unless all the great powers agree, and that unanimous agreement among them would still be necessary even if the veto were abolished.

Atom Bomb Worry

On the debit side no one has agreed how to control the atom bomb—still less the ordinary conventional arms—and no progress has been made in the past year towards giving the Security Council teeth in the form of armed forces.

But, on balance, the international outlook has apparently become a little less threatening. At any rate, Russia and the Western Allies are still discussing the German and Austrian questions.

In Palestine, Kashmir and Indonesia the UN can claim to have prevented or ended wars.

This will be something to remember both now and in 1950, when Mr. Trygve Lie's five-year appointment will come up again for review.

"About my overdraft. When can I collect the interest on it?"

"I like these more sedate numbers, don't you?"

She Wrote One Book --It Swept The World

By JAMES BROUGH

Margaret Mitchell, who wrote "Gone With The Wind," after an accident that kept her on crutches for three years, died in hospital recently.

She had been struck down by a car two weeks ago on tree-shaded Peachtree Street, in Atlanta, Georgia, her home town.

This shy, attractive, 4ft. 11in housewife, whose book is still the world's biggest best-seller after the Bible, had left the house where she lived in retirement, keeping track of the American Civil War novel, to go to the cinema with her husband, John Marsh, retired advertising executive.

An off-duty taxi-driver raced down Peachtree Street — which was the setting for many of Scarlett O'Hara's adventures—skidded, and knocked the 44-year-old author unconscious.

Twenty-four years ago it was a horse she was riding that trampled on her and kept her an invalid, reading her way through every shelf in the local library.

'Raised On It'

Her husband finally told her: "You'd better write a book yourself." So she started "Gone With The Wind."

"I chose the Civil War," she said later, "because I was raised on the stories about it. In fact, I heard everything as a child except that the Confederates lost."

Margaret Mitchell, who wanted to be a doctor but became a reporter before her marriage in 1925, kept the first stack of her manuscript in pillow-cases which served as cushions for the drawing-room sofa.

When the book — her first and only one—was published in 1936 it swept America like a summer storm and won the Pulitzer Prize. It has been serialised in Argentina, Cuba, Denmark, France, Greece, Mexico, Sweden, Uruguay, printed in braille, and recorded in full for the blind. The film version still makes profits for Hollywood.

Two-Week Job

Once a year Margaret Mitchell performed the two-week job of auditing her foreign accounts, and at the latest count 716,000 had been printed in Britain and the sales were booming on the Continent—"Perhaps," said the author, "because almost every country in Europe knows what it means to be occupied or besieged by an enemy.

"If the novel has a theme," she said on another occasion, "it is that of survival...I wrote about people who had gumption and people who hadn't."

She scoffed at any idea that writing was an easy job. She said:

"I began writing when I was six. I worked 12 years on 'Gone With The Wind,' and threw away a lot of novels I had written before that."

She became a newspaper writer in 1922, fresh from college, when she was one of Atlanta's social set.

She joined the "Atlanta Journal," and in the next four years many stories in the newspaper carried the name "Peggy Mitchell."

A year after her marriage she left the newspaper and became a full-time housewife.

Then "Gone With The Wind" began to take shape. The day after it appeared on the bookstands in 1936 all copies of the first edition were sold.

Since then is has sold about 8,000,000 copies in 40 countries and 30 different languages.

It still sells 60,000 copies annually in the U.S. and probably the same number overseas.

It earned Margaret Mitchell a small fortune. The film rights alone were sold for £10,000.

Despite the fame the book brought her, she remained the same charming ex-reporter, with a salty sense of humour and twinkling smile.

She and her husband went on living in their five-roomed flat. They mixed with their old friends and drove a small car.

But the mass of letters, requests, calls, and legal entanglements that followed the translations and overseas sales of her book made their private life difficult.

She had to engage two secretaries.

Then the end of the war brought even more letters. Europeans, newly liberated, seemed to find strength in reading of the fight of courageous Scarlett O'Hara, made in her post-war era.

One European reader wrote: "You have told our story. You have given us courage."

Margaret Mitchell answered all her letters. And she sent clothing, food, vitamin capsules, and other necessities to Europe.

Her flat was often crowded with boxes ready for packing and mailing.

'Not Writing'

As for another book, she commented: "I have a hundred more novels I would like to write. But the business details of my first book take all my time. Nobody believes that, but it is true. I am not writing another book."

After the recent crash doctors said Margaret Mitchell had a fractured skull and pelvis and other injuries.

Police charged the driver of the car, Hugh D. Gravitt, aged 28, with suspicion of manslaughter.

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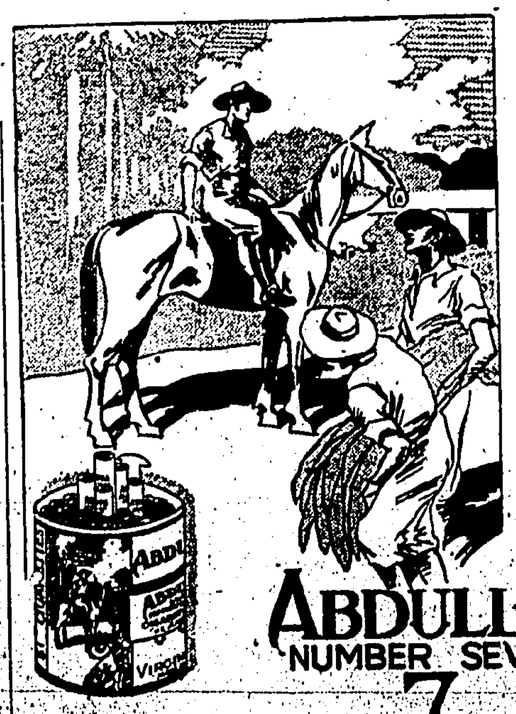

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MR. BERNARD SHAW ON HOW TO WRITE A PLAY

Few of those who attend a recent performance of Shaw's new play "Buoyant Billions" at Malvern—the first one that has come from him since 1939 had probably any idea how much labour writing it entailed on the 93-year-old dramatist, whose "artistic conscience isn't satisfied easily.

But Mr. Shaw gave me some idea in a special interview, in which he talked in his best vein of his methods as a playwright.

"About how long does it take you to write a play?" I asked.

"It depends on the length and on the complication of the stage business," he replied. "Also on the quality of the writing.

"The fashionable length of a play for stalls at the highest West End prices is 18,000 words. My plays, written for an ideal audience of shilling stalls and a twopenny gallery, are from a third to a half as long again.

"An actor, using these many phrases and never stopping to think, can write several thousand words a day with the assistance of more or less alcohol; an average thousand words a day is enough for me if I have to think them all out. But that is between breakfast and lunch." (He never composes later.)

5s. An Act

"There are men like Balzac, or Handel composing 'Messiah,' who charge at a work and keep on at it night and day until it is finished, keeping themselves awake with coffee. In that way an impetuous playwright could finish a play within a fortnight.

"There have been playwrights who have written plays for 5s. an act, and finished the fifth act while the fourth was being performed.

"I can write the dialogue of a long play easily within two months if I stick at it; but it may take me as long, or longer, to settle the stage business, which is pure drudgery.

"I had rather write all the dialogue of Hamlet than decide which side of the stage the Ghost enters, or arrange the necessary time for Ophelia to change her dress."

And then his "first thoughts" never completely satisfy him, it appears.

"Are your plays, as originally written, subject to a good deal of revision, or not?" I asked.

"Of course they are!" he answered. "I have an artistic conscience I—it makes it impossible for me to let a job go until it is as good as I can make it at the moment. Besides, I now over-write to such an extent that I have to cut the play down by a full third to pull it properly together and bring it within possible limits of time.

"The publication or performance of a play of mine in the state in which Shakespeare's plays appear in the First Folio would drive me crazy. But I fully admit that Shakespeare's calculation that it was better to spend his time writing Macbeth than revising Hamlet was justified.

"But then, Shakespeare was a volcano from whom plays burst like lava. I am by comparison a tidy old maid."

GBS was talking in the revolving sun-hut in his garden at Ayot St. Lawrence, Herts. It is there that he writes his plays; always in shorthand, or "phonography," as it seems he prefers to call it.

How Plays Begin

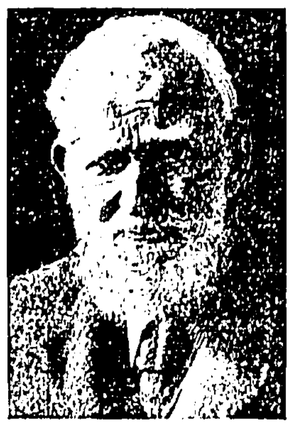
"How do themes for plays suggest themselves to you?" I asked. "Have you sometimes had a theme in mind for a long time before utilising it?"

"Plays begin in all sorts of ways. I can sit down without an idea in my head except that I must write a play and a play comes. A good play, too, provided that I do not write anything that bores me like filling out a plot or anything artificial of that kind.

"Most plays begin with a dramatic situation the rest is only a device for bringing it about. 'The Devil's Disciple' (lately televised) obviously grew round a situation. 'John Bull's Other Island' with a farcical fancy which developed into a big political situation.

"As to 'Pygmalion' (which he has just given Gertrude Lawrence permission to do on the air in America) the scene in which Eliza makes her successful debut at the Ambassador's party was the root of the play at its inception. But when I got to work I left it to the imagination of the audience, as the theatre could not afford its expense and it made the play too long.

"Sir James Barrie spotted this at once and remonstrated. So when the play was screened, I added the omitted scene, as the cinema can afford practically unlimited money, and the absence of intervals left plenty of time to spare.



G. B. SHAW

In An Interview With HAYDEN CHURCH

"Then you have the thesis play. 'Back to Methuselah' dramatises the thesis that our conduct is influenced, not by our experience but by our expectations, and that life is not at present long enough for us to take it seriously.

"A theme may lie in a playwright's head for half-an-hour or half a lifetime before he uses it. The perception that Saint Joan was an early Protestant came to me from reading the report of her trial; but I never thought of writing a play about her until years later when my wife suggested it one day when I was at a loss."

"Did you write 'Buoyant Billions,' which we are to see on Saturday, in shorthand, as I understand you did your other plays?" I asked.

"I drafted it for the typist, as all my literary work has been drafted for fifty years past, in Pitman's Phonography, but not in reporting shorthand, which is a code and not an alphabet.

"A reporter's speed is 150 words a minute. An author's is 12 words a minute year in and year out. Phonography can be memorised in a few weeks; reporting codes in a few years."

"Do you chance to remember which was the first of your plays to be written in 'phonograph'?"

"I did not become a playwright until I was 36. By that time I was using Pitman's Phonography.

"I insist on that term because 'shorthand' is always taken to mean verbatim reporting, which is useless to authors.

'Dickens was an expert reporter; but the had to write all his novels in ordinary longhand, wasting years of his life in the English with an ancient Phoenician alphabet containing five vowels to do the work of 14."

"Are all your characters, except the historical ones, purely figments of your imagination?" I queried, "or have some of them been drawn from life?"

From Life

"Lots of them are from life. Some of them are quite close portraits; in drawing others I have used real people as models. Once or twice I have made quite a close portrait quite unconsciously and recognised it only when I saw it on the stage.

"No, don't ask me for names! I must not give away my involuntary sitters."

"Is any of your plays your personal favourite?" I asked — having heard somewhere that "Heartbreak House" is.

"No, of course not," Mr. Shaw replied, sternly. "My plays are not racehorses. I have no time to bother about them after they are finished and launched."

Led to reminisce by a remark of his interviewer's, GBS talked entertainingly of his early days as a journalist, of his first two editors, Edmund Yates and Frank Harris, and of his early acquaintance with George Moore and Oscar Wilde.

Best Epigram

He quoted with great relish a saying of Moore's: "Shaw is the funny man in the English boarding house.

"But probably the best epigram ever made about me," he added, "was one of Oscar Wilde's which, by the way, has often been misquoted.

"Shaw hasn't an enemy in the world,' said Wilde, '—and none of his friends like him.'

"We had no respect for each other in those days," GBS declared, "and were amazed when we all turned out to be great men.

"Always be polite to young nobodies; you never know how they will turn out. If you must kick somebody, kick the old!"

Fairy Stories Banned

Children's ffairy stories are to be be banned in Czechoslovakia.

In Prague hundreds of books being sorted in front of children's libraries—books condemned by the Communists as "unfit" for children to read."

The majority of these books, writes Eric, Bourne, are fairy tales of gallant princes and beautiful princesses and have been favourites of Czech children for generations.

Now the Communists condemn them as "useless" from an educational point of view, and therefore unnecessary. Instead, they suggest that the children should read stories of everyday people working in the home, the factory and on the land.

Explain the Communist daily papers: "Fairy tales about buried treasures, about kings and queens, may have an artistic value but children should learn to enjoy reading about useful things. In this way they will grow up to be useful citizens...."

Nor are the story books the only victims of the Communist education plan. Children's theatres in Czechoslovakia are now suffering a similar fate. The majority of children's plays now consist of "serious subjects only" and during the intervals competitions are organised with pripes to the children knowing most about the Soviet Union.

"Cave Brodick a basinful on Sunday night."

The Doctor Says....

GRAHAM HARCOURT, of Harley-Street, outlines the progress which has been made in blood transfusion.

Fifteen years ago blood transfusion was a time-consuming operation. Now it is used whenever indicated, without a second thought.

Though the idea of giving blood from a healthy person to one who needs it is centuries old, only in the past 25 years has it been attempted on a really large scale.

It was early in this century that several scientists, working at about the same time, found there were four distinct blood groups. These have been named I, II, III and IV.

It is essential to know to which group an individual belongs before transfusion. This is because there are certain substances in the blood serum which destroy the red blood cells of two out of the four groups, if they are not identical.

Until just before the last war it was necessary to obtain donors of the right group, bleed them, and then inject the blood into the patient.

With the prospect of numerous air raid casualties, the idea of storing blood was evolved.

Now there are blood Banks where hundreds of bottles of blood of known groups are kept.

Hospitals keep a store of blood themselves. If clotting is prevented by means of citrate and the blood is kept just above freezing point, it can be used up to three weeks after it has been taken.

The Rh Factor

Recently another complication has been discovered.

This is known as the Rh factor.

Eighty-five per cent. of people have this in their blood. They are called Rh positive.

But importance is that if Rh-negative persons have a transfusion of Rh positive blood they produce anti-bodies which cause trouble at a subsequent transfusion.

In the same way, if an Rh negative mother has a child by an Rh positive father, there is a chance of the child dying shortly after from jaundice.

When a woman first reports to many clinics these days, therefore, a blood test is undertaken to see not only what her ordinary group is but whether she is Rh negative.

If she is, steps can be taken to safeguard the child.

Science is rapidly going ahead in all matters of this kind, so it is not surprising that both maternal and infant mortality shows a satisfactory decline.

All These Things And Vodka Too

By GORDON YOUNG

When you switch on the electric light, go to the movies, or send a telegram do you give thanks to the Russians? You should, for according to the current campaign in the Soviet Press all these things and most other modern inventions as well owe their discovery to Russian pioneers.

The steam engine was not invented by James Watt but by Ivan Pulsonov, and that story about Watt watching a tea kettle is just another Capitalist lie.

— — Light Bulb

The electric bulb was not the discovery of Edison but was devised by the Russian scientist Ladygin in 1873, six years before Edison came out with it.

Don't think that Marconi produced the radio in 1896; it had already been done by the physicist Alexander Popov in 1895. And you "Western Imperialists" who praise Professor Alexander Fleming for pioneering penicillin are forgetting that the original work in that field was done by an all-Russian trio named Polotebnov, Mamasjin, and Tukovsky.

These are just a few of the statements made this year by the Russian Press, Moscow Radio, and the Soviet Tass News Agency in accordance with the Kremlin's drive to convince the world—and especially the Russian people—that Russia is not now, and has never been, a country which lags behind the West.

The Kremlin has learnt from the last war that the thing which can rally and unite the Russian people in times of stress is not Marxist ideology but good old Russian nationalism.

So you have the paradox of Communists in all other lands being urged to be internationally minded, and Communists of the Soviet Union being intensively taught that it is today, as it has always been, Russia uber alles.

The new theme song of the Kremlin to its 193,000,000 (subjects is "You're the Tops"—and the claims cover pretty well every field of life, from diesel engines to bicycles (the first of which, they say, was built in 1801 by a Russian worker named Artomov, who cycled from the Urals to Moscow on it).

— — Telephone

The real pioneer work on splitting the atom was done, according to the review Bolshevik, by the Russian Physicists Flerov and Petryak. The telephone, say the Moscow Academy of Science, was not discovered by Alexander Graham Bell but by Pavel Sjilling in 1830.

The father of television was the physicist Boris Rosing, who, says Tass, built the first apparatus in 1911 "10 or 15 years before the American and British scientists."

On Moscow Radio Vice-Admiral Nikolai Kulakov has related that it was Russia which built the first armoured warship as well as the first submarine.

Some of Russia's best inventions were, of course, deliberately stolen by the wicked West. Recently Tass has related how the German manufacturer E. Werner Siemens filched the credit for the invention of the telegraph from the Russian scientist Boris Jokobi, who, in 1845, built the first two telegraphic instruments.

While on a journey abroad, says Tass, Jakobi showed his drawings to a trusted friend. Siemens came into the room while the drawings were lying on a table and took quick note of them.

The parachute was stolen by the French, according to Red Fleet. For the first parachute was devised by G. Kotelnikov in 1910, after he had seen an airman killed in a crash. But his idea was copied and developed by a French firm.

It was Russian explorers, of course, who opened up the world. First voyages to India were made, says the Literary Gazette, not by Vasco da Gama but by Atanazy Nikitin.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Red Fleet, Admiral Jumasjev, has told on Moscow Radio how one third of the world, from Alaska to Australia, was discovered by Russian explorers." The head of Moscow's Geological Institute declares that the Antarctic was pioneered by Russians in 1820, and that "the observations later made by the Englishman Scott were false in many respects."

— — Jet Plane

The li... goes on indefinitely. It was Russian, not Western, ingenuity which pioneered the aeroplane (the inventor was Mojaski, 1882), the jet-plane (scientist Ziokovsky), the talking film (perfected 1925), the motor-cycle and synthetic rubber.

All these and many other items will be included in the new Great Soviet Encyclopaedia. It is to be "the world's best encyclopaedia," and its aim is to show "the overwhelming superiority of Soviet thought over the rotten culture of the Capitalist world."

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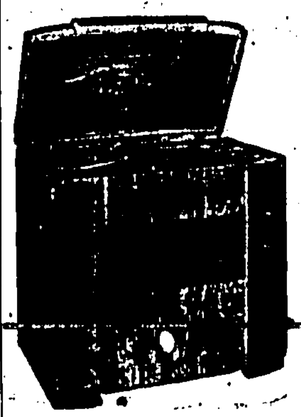

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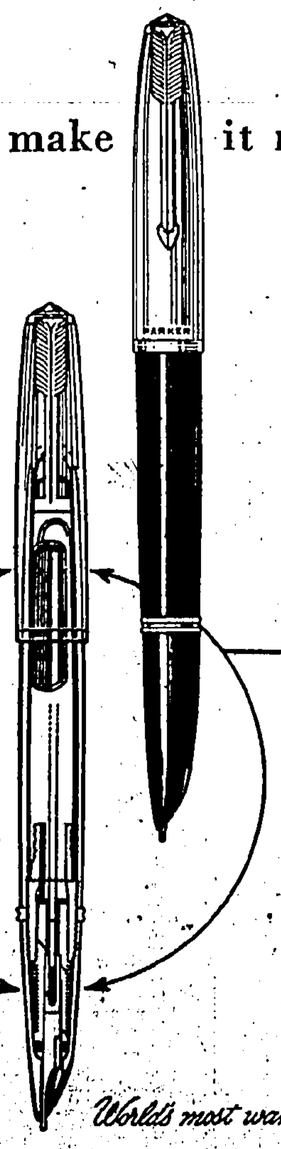

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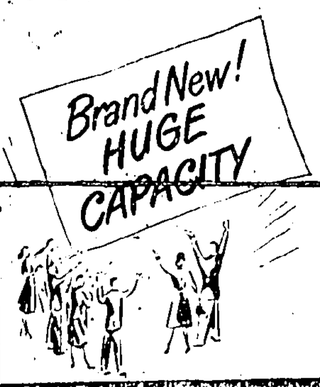

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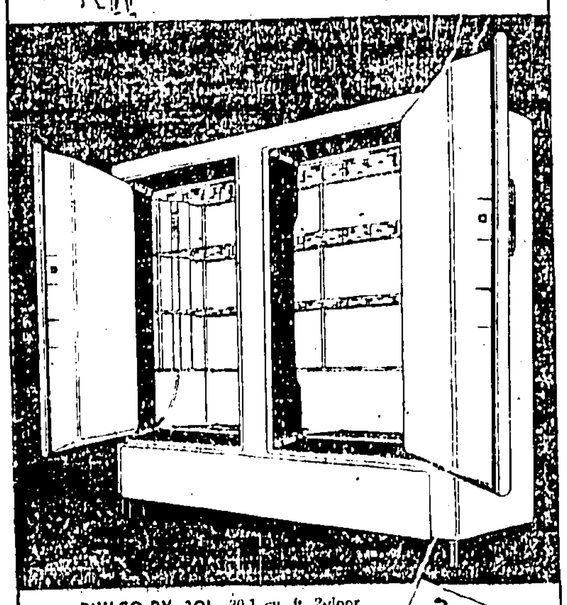

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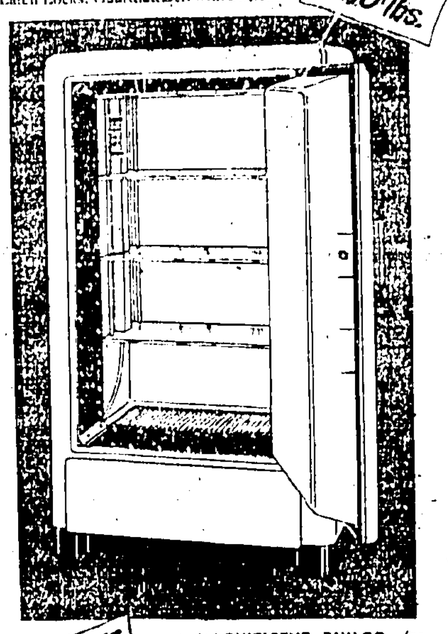

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ISRAELI-ARAB PEACE TALKS ENTER NEW, IMPORTANT PHASE

Lausanne, August 26.

Preliminary peace talks between Israel and four Arab states entered their fifth month today with only small progress toward an overall agreement. The conversations conducted by the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission have been beset by deadlocks and stalemates since they opened on April 27.

Observers here say, however, that the important factor is that they are still going on. They pointed out only a few months ago the two sides were shooting at each other.

On Arab insistence both factions are still living in separate hotels at this luxury lakeside resort. They meet only separately with the Commission. But the fact the Arabs recently agreed to sit at the same table with the Israeli on the joint committee for unfreezing funds of each side is taken as a hopeful sign.

Both Arabs and Israeli say they want the conversations to keep going despite difficulties and disappointments. An Israeli spokesman said they have already resulted in a better atmosphere.

New Phase

With the opening of their fifth month, the conversations are entering a new and important phase one of which transfers the main activity to the Middle East, Washington and Lake Success.

The three-nation Commission decided this week, on American initiative that economic stability in the Middle East is the best way to bring about harmony between the two sides. Instead of trying to persuade the Israeli to take back a large number of some 700,000 Arab refugees and the Arab states to resettle the remainder, the Commission decided to adopt an economic approach to what hitherto has been a political problem.

With the approval of the Arabs and Israeli, the Commission announced that it would set up a 40-member commission to make a development survey of the Middle East. According to a Commission communique, the mission will endeavour to:

1. Promote economic conditions in the Middle East favourable to the establishment of peace and stability in that area.
2. Facilitate repatriation, resettlement and economic and social rehabilitation of the refugees in order to integrate them into the economic life of the areas in which they will reside.

The refugees will be settled in conditions which will permit them to become self-sustaining within the minimum period of time.

3. Aid interested government to further such measures and development programmes as are required to overcome the economic dislocations created by the hostilities.

Peace Desired

Both sides say they want peace although the Arabs contend that they are not ready to sign a formal peace treaty; Israel has consistently argued that to take back more than 100,000 of the refugees would be more than her war damaged economy could stand.

The Arabs have insisted previously on a letter of resolution passed by last year's United Nations General Assembly that all refugees be repatriated who wish to return. Now with the prospect of international financial aid both to Israel and Arab countries, it looks as though the thorniest problem in the way of peace may be solved.

Just how the development programme is to be implemented financially has not been disclosed. Presumably most of the money would be American probably in the form of loans from the Export Import Bank and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Whether the conversations will continue in their present form at Lausanne or take another form in some other part of the world following the forthcoming meeting of the General Assembly, it is felt here that at least a beginning has been made towards peace.

Once the problems of refugees and frontier have been settled, it is believed that stability will come in some measure to the Middle East even without the signing of a formal peace treaty. — United Press.

Planes Keep Watch Over Forest Area

Paris, August 26.

Military planes today kept a continuous watch over the forest areas of Southern France, ready to give warning of any new fire outbreak.

No fires were reported during the night, following yesterday's "mopping up" operations.

A man from Canejean village of 400 inhabitants, where 28 men were killed, spent all last night tramping the ashes of the district with his sheep-dog, hoping it would scent out the remains of his son, who was not among the recognisable bodies recovered.

A 14-year-old boy was said by the gendarmes to have confessed to starting 20 fires.

A telegram of condolence from the Pope has been forwarded to Monsignor Maurice Feltin, Archbishop of Bordeaux and Archbishop designate of Paris, by Monsignor Ferni, Charge d'Affaires of the Papal Nunciature in the French Capital.

The Pope sent his Apostolic benediction to the people of the fire devastated area.—Reuter.

DEFENCE OFFICIALS CLEARED OF FRAUD

Washington, August 25.

The House Armed Services Committee voted unanimously today to clear Defence and Air Force officials of any "irregularities" in the B-36 procurement programme.

The vote came after the committee chairman, Carl Vinson, said there had not been one iota of evidence of fraud, collusion, corruption or political influence in the Air Force decision to make the B-36 its main striking arm.

Mr. Vinson made the statement after the committee heard the testimony of the B-36 Manufacturer, Floyd Odlum, and a suspended Navy official, Cedric Worth, who had confessed to drafting an anonymous document attacking the B-33 programme.

During his testimony, Worth repudiated virtually every statement he had written in the unsigned document, which he told the committee he was asked to prepare by the aircraft manufacturer, Glenn Martin, for Senator Millard Tydings.

Publicity Campaign

In earlier estimony, Worth had blamed alleged irregularities on Odlum, head of consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation, which makes the B-36. He also blamed a number of unidentified persons who he said were conducting a "publicity campaign" to popularise the B-36.

After Odlum testified, Worth was recalled to the stand. In a reply to questions by the special counsel, Joseph Keenan, Worth said he no longer thought Odlum was "unscrupulous" as he had testified earlier.

In reply to other questions, he said he regretted writing the unsigned paper and felt he had done the country a "great disservice." After Worth's startling reversal, the Committee voted a clean bill of health for the Air Force and overall defence establishment.

Odlum told the Committee he never had received a favour from the military services or from any public official in his 30 years of business life.—United Press.

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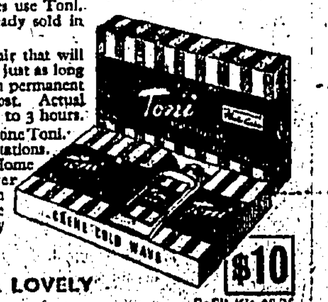

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Chinese To Study Welfare Services

London, August 26.

Two Chinese and five Indians will be among the 17 holders of United Nations Social Affairs fellowships, who arrive here this week-end for a four months stay to study the social welfare services.

They are the largest group to be received in this country by the British Council since the inception of the scheme by the Social Affairs Division of the United Nations in 1947. Other countries represented are Argentine, Belgium, Egypt, Italy and Sweden.

On Monday, they will begin a two weeks introductory course of lectures by experts and visits to centres of municipal and social welfare activity in London and various counties. The Westminster Employment Exchange, Queen Mary's Hospital at Roehampton for the war disabled, a motor works re-training exservicemen, a housing estate, and a community centre will be among the places visited.

Individual Plans

After the introductory course, the fellowship holders will follow individual programmes of study, planned by the British Council on such subjects as the treatment and prevention of juvenile delinquency, rehabilitation of the disabled, welfare among children and young people, and welfare in industry.

The Chinese and Indian visitors are:

China: Mrs. N. Chu, Director, China Welfare Service; and Mr. Y. Wu, Deputy Chief of Division, Ministry of Social Affairs.

India: Mr. P. Arumugan, Assistant Labour Commissioner, Industrial Welfare Government of India; Mr. M. Bahini, Assistant Conciliation Officer, dealing with administration, welfare work and settlement of disputes; Mr. Bejoy Krishna Chattocharya, Assistant Labour Commissioner, Government of West Bengal; Mr. S. Shankara, Conciliation Officer, Ministry of Labour, and Mr. Verma, Labour Officer, Government of Central Provinces and Berar.—Reuter.

More Trouble In S. Korea

Seoul, August 27.

The police killed 12 men and captured two of a group of 50 Koreans who attacked a police station in South Kiangsong province on Tuesday, the Home Ministry announced today.

The attackers killed six policemen before escaping in three motor vehicles under the fire of police reinforcements.

President Syngman Rhee today bitterly declared that South Koreans were growing impatient with being "guinea pigs" in an international experiment.

Referring to the North Korean attacks along the 38th parallel, President Rhee said: "All we have got to do is to sit and wait for them to shoot us.

"Nobody likes to criticise the Soviets. They think it might hurt the cause of peace. So long as we let them kill us, it is peace, but if we raise a finger we are aggressors."

President Rhee endorsed the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ben Limb's appeal for a team of United Nations military observers to investigate border incidents and underground activities in South Korea.—Reuter.

Staffs Of Services To Be Cut

London, Augus 26.

Cuts in the staffs of Britain's armed services were reported to be under consideration today, as part of a new economy drive. Civil and service personnel employed during the war on a temporary basis and now surplus to ministerial requirements, are expected to be affected.

The Air Ministry said that its staff reductions were being considered in connection with a report from a six-man committee, appointed a year ago, to review the Air Ministry organisation and recommend improvements.

The Air Ministry spokesman was unable to confirm the reports that one in every five would be dismissed.

An Admiralty statement said: "Some reductions, possibly among both uniformed and civilian personnel, are likely, but it is too early yet to say where the reductions will be made."

A War Office spokesman explained to a reporter that the return to peacetime conditions had ended the need for army welfare officers, who were retired men doing a voluntary job.

He said that their dismissal was directly related to the dollar crisis and would not lead to any great savings.

No question of big service cuts or of any change in the government's conscription policy has arisen, he added.—Reuter.

New Look In Troopships

London, August 25.

The Empire Orwell, 17,36 tons, which will be Britain's largest and best appointed troopship when she goes into commission, is nearing the completion of a two and a half years refit.

The ship begins her preliminary engine trials next month and sea trials in November with the first trooping voyage at the end of that month.

She will have amenities for officers, other ranks and their families on a scale never before attained in peacetime troop transport. There will be accommodation for 1,100 troops, 306 crew and 394 women and children.

Notable innovations will be separate mess rooms set apart from the sleeping quarters, cafeteria meals, beds instead of hammocks, recreation rooms and cold water drinking fountains.

There will be more deck space than ever before allotted in a permanent troopship.—Reuter.

ONE TO DIE FOR RITUAL MURDER

Maseru, Basutoland, August 26.

One death sentence was today imposed in the trial of 16 Basuto for the ritual killing of Paramount Khotatso, at Chibas village, in 1946.

Ten of the accused were acquitted, five others were sentenced to two years' imprisonment each. Two of the prisoners were already serving 10 years for a previous ritual slaying.

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Life Is Not All Peaches Down In Georgia

By JAMES BROUGH

Beside the shimmering tarmac, with its fringes of tobacco plants, a Negro plodded barefoot. Under a straw hat, ancient as an heirloom, he sucked on a corncob pipe.

Where the road threaded through a clump of moss-draped oaks he padded into a shanty propped up against collapse like an invalid on crutches, Clarence Washington Heard, American citizen Southern-style, was home for the day.

He lives where he was born, in one of the separate and distinct countries that make up the United States. The South, that is—a land where New York's skyscrapers seem as far off and fantastic as Cleopatra's Needle.

This is a report on a sortie into Dixie, a disillusionite stare at its magnolias and its mud. For a week I have ridden down and round the Ocean Highway, which skewers the flanks of the country for 1,365 miles from Manhattan to Miami Beach.

It pushes through Delaware, which William Penn bought for 10s. from a Duke of York, on down Maryland, whose title commemorates Charles I.'s wife, Henrietta Maria, to Virginia, named after Britain's Virgin Queen, where the South begins.

At Norfolk, three miles on from the streamlined Cape Charles ferryboat (fare, £1 2s.), a turtle crawled across the concrete, setting the mood and the pace for slow-motion living down here in the sticky heat.

In this gastronomic bismuth belt the food is as fried as the landscape. Even the apple pie that we ate for dessert on the first night out sizzled on the plate. "You fry in 1½in. of hot fat at around 350 Fahrenheit," explained our hostess. "Brown both sides and serve with either plain cream or vanilla ice-cream."

The pale petal complexions of the flower of white Southern womanhood owe much, it appears, to persistent indigestion. The men grow in two main sizes: extra stout and extra slim.

Second Class

Clarence Washington Heard, like most Negroes, figures in the second class. We pulled up alongside him in North Carolina, where the rivers run thick with catfish and red silt from the eroded backlands.

Three turkey buzzards circled over the copse ahead, and a Greyhound long-distance bus zipped by at 70 m.p.h. like an aluminiumised hurricane.

He did not care to talk too much about himself to whites. That reticence is a habit of his race here, where the rule, put in the crudest words I heard, is: "You've got to keep those Niggers down." But these facts managed to cross the gulf between the two worlds of black and white.

Centuries Ago

He is a descendant of slaves and proud of his ancestry. His forefathers, he believes, arrived in America "three or four hundred years ago."

He was fascinated to learn that a Briton called Sir John Yeamans brought the first Negroes to the struggling colonies from Barbados.

As a labourer, Heard earns about £3 a week in cash, which is less than half the national average. His biggest interest is his eldest daughter, Hattie—he has five children—who, walking four miles to school and four miles back each day, has not missed an attendance in four years.

The school is a hovel, in which she sits at a desk long since abandoned by white scholars, who in their other world are taught in a much more modern brick building. "White Only," say the waiting-rooms, railway stations and bus terminals below the invisible, invincible Mason and Dixon line.

Yet Heard does not want to leave—to go North into a Harlem slum, where intolerance and prejudice would label him not "Nigger" but "jigaboo" or "smoke."

The pattern of existence in Dixie comes clear as you drive. It is a picture-book territory of black skins and the gaudy rags of sombre poverty that is the key to it all. The coal-black children have the unforgettable look of piccaninnies in an old-time song-book.

The women, heads wrapped in bandannas, are so close to your expectations that you suspect they are members of a minstrel show.

Every decaying cabin and cottage has its Uncle Remus or Uncle Tom rocking in a creaking chair on the porch.

Trace the genealogy of the place and you realise that England helped to make it.

Slavery was a British importation, and on the Southern plantations, along with the cotton, grew socialised States on a miniature scale. The subjects had no freedom, but their welfare was assured.

Most of the masters were no Simon Legrees, but kindly, prospering men who supplied the rationed food, shelter, warm and comfortable clothing and, free medical care. A slave was an investment to be protected.

Because the tobacco and the cotton had to be sold overseas, the South has never been isolationist. Nowhere else in America is there such a clear understanding of what Marshall Aid means and what cuts in that budget would entail.

Said a Charleston newspaper editor: "Cotton and tobacco, two of the South's major crops, are in surplus. What would be done with the $50,000,000 worth of tobacco and the $100,000,000 worth of cotton if these shipments were cancelled?"

We dined together (fried shrimps the size of your thumb) in the graceful, mellow town which English settlers laid out.

The Confederate War was the second factor, after the English, which made the South, which split the New World into two. With the wormwood of defeat came stark poverty, swaggering Negroes, fear—and the Ku-Klux-Klan, hooded and avenging.

The primitive welfare State vanished—"You've got to keep those Negroes down." The segregation system grew. One of the "White Only" warnings, answered the white's need. Lynchings are the extreme form of treating "uppity Nigras."

Fear works two ways. It keeps the Negroes, who in many counties far outnumber the whites, as servile as a raw recruit before his sergeant-major.

Two Lynchings

It puts a conspicuous, blackjack in the rear pocket, just behind the revolver, of the local policemen. It fosters a frontier spirit under which no respectable housewife dare drive a car after dark alone.

As overt violence dwindles—there were two lynchings last year compared with 115 in 1909—fear diminishes too. Though most Southern whites retain a nostalgic regard for the Klan—"it did good work once"—the better elements are against it.

Said Alabama's Attorney-General, A. A. Carmichael: "Hooded mobs are directed by manipulators who occupy sky scrapers. Plush-office dwellers plan the raids to keep race hatred alive, red-hot and vicious for economic and political reasons."

That may be something of an exaggeration. In a Georgia tearoom today I heard a perspiring dowager tell her assenting companion: "Ever' time Ah see a Nigra ridin' in a Chdillac I makes me want to spit."

On that score Clarence Washington Heard is safe. He has never sat in a luxury limousine.

He does, however, sometimes get a ride on a cart behind a lop-eared mule.

Quick! it's the boss . . . he's flaming at these price cuts."

Safety Device For Spectacles

While the British Ministry of Health announces that 2,000,000 people are waiting for free spectacles, there is news from America of a safety device that makes glasses practically unbreakable.

Enquiring about them, correspondent Kay Murray was told that the lenses were of "sandwich glass" similar to that used on car windscreens. In the middle of each lens is a sheet of plastic preventing the glass from splintering.

Answering critics who pointed out that unbreakable plastic lenses were already in general use the manufacturers explained that while lenses soon scratched the new "unbreakables" did not.

Finally in an effort to make one pair of glasses last a lifetime, America's scientists are now at work on unbreakable frames.

"Come on, John, we'll go home now. You've won just enough to pay for my autumn outfit!"

THE GOVERNOR HAS SOME BRIGHT IDEAS

By RICHARD GREENOUGH

St. John's, Antigua,
Leeward Islands,
Thursday.

A jovial, buxom coloured woman, barefooted and wearing a sun-bleached cotton dress and straw hat, squatted outside her ramshackle wooden hut.

The hut was one of the collection of dilapidated shacks that make up the village of Seaview Farm, a mile or so inland from here.

The woman, Miss Janon Daniel, was grinning. And in her hand she held a brick.

Second Brick

Miss Daniel had just made history, according to Lord Baldwin of Bewdley, somewhat mercurial and colourful Governor of the Leeward Islands, who had driven out to see her and had taken me with him.

Miss Daniel had just baked the second brick ever to be made on the island of Antigua. She had also baked the first, but it broke.

Whether Governor Baldwin stays or resigns from his post here—and there is every indication that he will leave on grounds of "ill-health" before the autumn—he will certainly long be remembered in the Leewards for many things.

Chief among them his enthusiasm for trying to find occupations for the natives other than the cutting of sugar cane for six months of the year.

"It is imperative that this Colony should start up secondary industries," he told me during our afternoon tour of the island.

"Previously," it seems, nobody ever bothered seriously about trying to start anything new. The experts said this couldn't be done or that was impossible. Never trust experts. As soon as one tells you that such a thing is impossible, then is the time to start trying. Lloyd George taught me that."

Book Coming

In the centre of the island are clay deposits with which, for a long time, the natives have been making crude pottery. Lord Baldwin is encouraging them to try baking bricks for building, as hitherto every brick in the island has had to be brought in by boat.

He has even sent for a book on how to make bricks. He has also sent for another on making glass bottles.

Pulp Boards

Lord Baldwin is in touch, too, with shippers in England, trying to arrange a British market for the Colony's tomatoes.

"We can supply an excellent crop of them in October, just when they are most scarce in Britain," he said.

"And there should be a good market somewhere for megasse. (This is the residue pulp left over from sugar cane.) It makes excellent beaver-boarding for building. They've even made houses but of the stuff in Trinidad, I believe, and treated it with some lime preparation which makes it non-inflammable, rather like asbestos."

But Lord Baldwin insists that his job here is to be Governor, "not some sort of glorified commercial traveller."

Trouble is, he maintains, nobody else seems to have had the energy, or the intelligence, to do this previously. Perhaps they are suffering from what he christened "Leewarditis," that strange, irresistible urge to indolence that creeps over people after they have been here a little while.

Unhappily for all Lord Baldwin's schemes, this complaint has almost totally overwhelmed the local native population, who have developed a strong resistance to work of any kind.

American Base

Apart from all these schemes, practical and impractical, for improving Antigua's economy (in a pretty anaemic state with a public debt of some £70,000 out of last year's total revenue of about £400,000, and just under a fifth of her population unemployed), best bet for making the Leeward Islands into a prosperous colony hinges on a £17,000,000 air base the Americans built during the war.

Though still holding it on a 99-year lease the Americans are pulling out, leaving behind, it is hoped, most of the equipment in the modern, completely self-contained village they built.

The electrical generating plant could light and supply power to the whole island; there is a refrigeration unit and full equipment in the 50-bed hospital.

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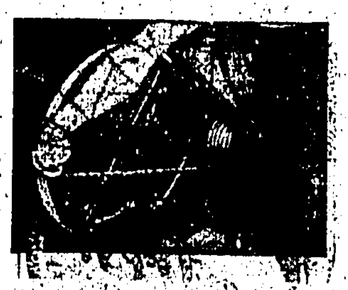

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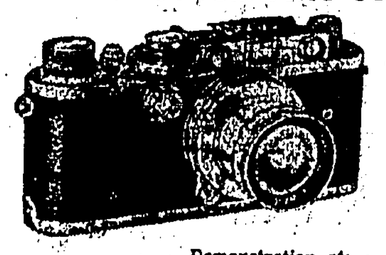

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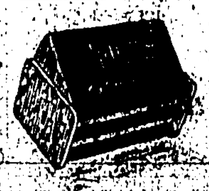

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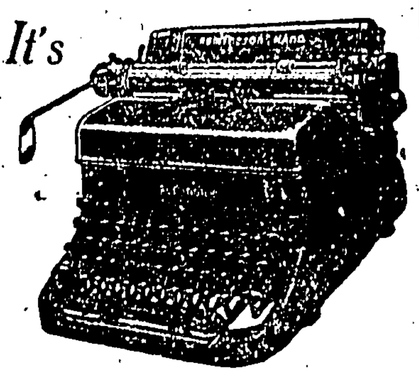

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Tough Going On The CHINA SILK ROAD

By G. WARD PRICE

You can't come to Afghanistan by ship: it has no seaboard.

You can't come by train: it has no railways.

You can't come by air: it has no civilian landing-grounds.

And I warn you against coming by car: it has no roads.

They are certainly marked on the map, but when it comes to driving along them you will find nothing but appalling tracks, hardly discernible in places, and so rough that no British farmer would send a milkcart over them.

From personal experience I can affirm that the communications of Afghanistan are worse than those of Central Africa.

To a boulder-strewn surface, with huge corrugations, immense potholes, and broken culverts, must be added frequent climbs over 10,000ft. mountain passes by gradients that make them about the most dangerous roads in the world.

You are flung inches into the air by the terrific jolts. The loins develop a raw place through perpetual bashing against the back of the seat, which rolls your belt into a tube of leather.

Driving is a nightmare. The wheel slips about in hands moist with perspiration. The bonnet rears like a bucking broncho. You bounce from one bump to another as uncontrollably as a rubber ball.

The car, which only 10 days ago crossed the Afghan border in the first flush of youth with only 1,724 miles on the clock, is now, 1,000 miles on, a battered veteran. It needs nuts and bolts, wiring repairs, and three new spring-leaves.

Cleopatra's Dress

In a drive of 500 miles from Mazar-i-Sharif to Herat I saw only seven other motor-vehicles, all lorries, and five of them broken down. Practically all Afghan transport is by camel, horse, or donkey.

Till Vasco da Gama discovered the sea route to India round the Cape, Afghanistan was on the "China Silk Road," and had a profitable carrier trade. When Cleopatra wanted a new dress it came this way. Marco Polo and other early travellers to the Chinese Empire followed the road along which I have been lurching by car.

But though, outside three or four shabby towns, Afghanistan remains as primitive as when Genghis Khan or even Alexander the Great marched across it, the country occupies one of the most vital strategic positions in the world.

This historic city of Herat, which once had ten times its present population of 60,000, has been called the "Key to India." It stands at the head of both the main routes that lead from Russia to the frontier of what has now become Pakistan.

I travelled by the shorter of the two from Pakistan to the nearest point at which the Russian frontier can be approached. It runs from the Khyber through Kabul, the capital—which is like a small Balkan town—and then by way of a multitude of deep gorges and high passes making up the Hindu Kush.

The Afghans are scared of Soviet Russia. If the Russians were to push forward to the Persian Gulf, or invade India in conjunction with the spread of Communism there, Afghanistan, lying in their path, could offer nothing but geographical resistance.

Their army of 100,000 men is effective only for internal purposes. Their air force consists of a dozen training planes. Every member of it is an officer, even the ground crews.

The situation is made no easier for Afghanistan by the fact that the people of her Northern provinces are Turkis and Uzbegs—of the same race as the inhabitants of Southern Russia across the River Oxus.

The victory of the Allied Powers has enabled Russia to re-establish a strict control over this boundary-line. She even imposes on Afghanistan her own rule that no one shall be allowed to approach the frontier at any point, except the Russian lorry-drivers who bring petrol and kerosene.

Russian regulations forbid them to spend the night in Afghanistan. They must recross the border the same day.

Same Names

The frontier towns on either side are both called Kushk, and lie some 12 miles apart. The Russian Kushk is the railhead of a branch railway line.

"We cannot authorise you to go up to the Russian frontier," said Mr. Rishtya, head of the Afghan Government Press Department. "It might displease the Russians."

On being pressed, he promised to consult the Foreign Ministry, the result of which was that when, after four days' arduous motoring, I reached Herat, I found the official energies of that ancient city concentrated on preventing me from proceeding any closer to the frontier.

"I have strict orders from the Foreign Ministry," said the local Governor.

"Well, I've heard of vacuum flasks and vacuum cleaners," I said, "but never of a vacuum frontier."

"Your passport is visaed for the Persian frontier, not the Russian one," was officialdom's next objection. Meanwhile, authority began to assert itself in other ways. The Chief of Police came twice to see me, the second time in full uniform, accompanied by three of his staff. A sentry with fixed bayonet took up his position outside the door of the Government "hotel" where I was staying. Every time I approached my car someone I took to be a detective hurried up to inquire if I were going to Kushk.

Officials Only

"There is absolutely no contact between the people on either side of the frontier," the editor of the local Afghan paper told me.

"The border is now so strictly patrolled that practically no one gets across to us. When they do contrive to escape they say that conditions in that part of Soviet Russia are miserable. Coupons are required for everything, and are given only to the young. In fact, many old people are thrown into the Oxus as useless. Fugitives from Russia are amazed by the plenty prevailing in Herat."

That I can well believe. For a few pence you can fill your hat with luscious peaches or apricots. Hawkers line the roadway with great tubs full of fresh eggs.

Yet if any rationed Briton were tempted to visit Herat, my advice would be:

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"All you need say, Henry, is 'The Chinese Special, please'."

New Deal For British Radio

By MAURICE GORHAM

The new committee under the chairmanship of Lord Beveridge, which is to make recommendations on the future conditions of broadcasting in Britain, has a chance to open a new chapter in British radio history and give us a better system than we have ever had.

Instead of merely sitting in judgment on the behaviour of the BBC since the last inquiry was held in 1935, it can take its terms of reference literally and examine how our broadcasting, including television, is organised and how it ought to beorganised.

Most people are proud to think that British broadcasting is organised as a public service, but few people like its being a monopoly. Too often it is assumed that the only alternative to monopoly is commercial broadcasting, and it is now rather late in the day to introduce commercial broadcasting in a country that has not had it before.

Fortunately these are not the only possibilities. Public service does not possibilities. Public u does not postulate monopoly. The present monopoly is extensive and heterogeneous, and there are many possible ways of breaking down.

The BBC now a monopoly of all broadcasting in Britain, national and local, and of all broadcasting from this country, whether in English or in foreign languages. It has a monopoly of television and of all new developments such as frequency-modulation transmission; even the relay companies who supply "wired wireless" are restrained from doing anything that might interfere with its policy.

The BBC engages in various overseas activities such as running a station at Singapore, starting broadcastiny in the Colonies, and sending in the Colonies, and sending recorded programmes to stations all over the world. In addition it owns a highly profitable publishing business, based on the sale of its advance programmes in the "Radio Times" to the tune of some eight million copies a week.

Obviously this far-reaching monopoly confers enormous power: power to give or withhold information and entertainment, to satisfy or frustrate local and specialised needs, to hasten technical progress or hold it back, to impose conditions on anybody who has a contribution to make or a living to earn in radio, from song-writers to engineers.

This power is in the hands of one body, and except during the war years one body has usually meant one man; for, with all respect to the array of Governors above him and the phalanx of officials below, a strong Director-General can make the real decisions for the BBC. It is a departure from the British tradition to entrust so much power over so important a mediuum to one man or one body, merely in the hope that it will be wisely used.

If Monopoly Ended

This is hte central problem for the Boveridge Committee. Its solution will govern all the rest—the future of television and local broadcastin, relations with Parliament, artists' organisations, trade unions and staff associations; even the vexed question of political broadcasts, in which politicans are apt to be more interested than anybody else. All of them would take on a different aspect, and most of them wold be much easier to solve, if the monopoly disappeared.

If the Committee comes to the conclusion that the basis of public service should be retained but that the present monopoly is indeed to wide, there are several ways of breaking it down.

The first obvious course is to separate home broadcasting, overseas broadcasting and television, each of which might well be the responsibility of an independent corporation separately financed.

Overseas broadcasting is already paid for by direct Grant in Aid, and the cost of television is taken into account in the continual bargaining process with the Government about the proportion of the licence revenue that the BBC shall receive. The funds allocated to either could as easily be paid to another body as to the BBC.

Television, it is clear, must be subsidised by somebody until it is sufficiently widespread to pay or itsel. So long as it is maintained chiefly for reasons of prestige and to help the export market, it might be fairer to pay for it, as for overseas broadcasting, by Grant in Aid, and let the listener's licence money be spent only on sound broadcasts.

But the important thing is to get television into a position where it can pay its way, and the BBC is not making much headway with this. Advertising is no easy answer; but might be worth while giving the radio manufacturers some share in the conduct of the service. They did more than anybody else to start the television boom in the United States.

To bring competition into home broadcasting, the Committee will no doubt study the possibilities of giving autonomy to the Regions, or of going further and using the new system of F.M. (frequency modulation) transmission to bring back really local broadcasting, so that important towns and universities can have their own programmes if they want them. One great advantage of F.M. over ordinary transmission is that it will provide many more separate programmes in one country. If it is to come to Britain as it has come in America, it seems wasteful to use it merely for reinforcing reception of the Third Programme, as the BBC proposes to do.

Is The BBC Too Big?

Any solutions to old problems create new ones, and whatever the Committee does it will have a lot of tangles to sort out. But it may easly decide that finance is not the most formidable of them. It is often said that monopoly makes for saving of overheads; but a business can be too big, and my own impression is that as the BBC has grown it has got clumsier, and that many small stations in other countries are more efficiently run.

The programme man's picture of Broadcasting House is of a place where an ever-increasing army of officials pore over files of things that they know less and less about, and where it can take longer to allocate priorities and decide who is to do what than to get it done.

The next 10 years will be a time of change in radio and television; past experience will have to yield to new ideas. Any break-up of the present monopoly would bring the advantages of competition, make new openings for ideas and for people, and revive enthusiasms now smothered by the incrustations that have grown over the BBC in its lifetime of 27 years. TIn a period of new developments we need the pioneering spirit that gave the country radio in 1922, not the righteous assurance of the tired Olympians of Broadcasting House.

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It is one of the main answers to the politician's heart-cry — as well as to the demands of the world's markets—to "produce more at lower prices."

Most automatic processes need control of some sort, if only to make sure that the machine goes on doing the right thing, and before electronic controls were developed this supervision was solely a human responsibility, even though it might involve a purely physical reaction with little or no thought behind it.

Now it can be left to machines to control machines, and electronic devices can do this infinitely faster, more delicately and with far greater accuracy than any human being.

Outstanding

Perhaps one of the outstanding examples of what can be achieved by electronic control of industrial production is the machine known as E.C.M.E.—electronic circuit-making equipment. Invented by a British engineer, 43-year-old Mr. John Sargrove, this machine

By RICHARD ROWLAND

can turn out a radio set in 20 seconds. Even the much more electronically-minded Americans admit they have nothing like it.

Pre-formed plastic panels, bearing grooves and depressions corresponding to the circuit of the radio receiver to be produced, are fed into two 70-foot long production plants. The process is fully automatic, and is completely controlled by electronic devices, which also carry out tests at each stage of production.

As the panels travel through the plant, they are shot-blasted, covered with a layer of metal, and face-milled to remove the surplus metal and bare the circuit — condensers, inductances, resistors and other components. Sockets are then inserted, the panels are lacquered, and out comes 90 per cent. of a radio set. All that remain to be added are loudspeakers and valves.

Instead of a double line of skilled workers, only two are required to feed the panels into the machine and to maintain it. The rate of production is governed by regulating the flow of panels into the plant.

Rapid Increase

Since about 1930, the use of electronically controlled automatic machines has increased rapidly, but, unfortunately for us, this increase has been confined largely to the United States. This is one of the reasons why American goods are cheaper than ours, and why the average productivity of American labour is at least two-and-a-half times as great as our own.

British electrical engineers are fully aware of the vast potentialities of electronic controls, and many of the latest developments are British. But British manufacturers, although there are some notable exceptions, have been slow to learn how electronic controls can be put to use in their factories.

The main reason is that they are unaware of the possibilities. In America there are three periodicals dealing entirely with the application of electronics to industry, and there are over 100 firms manufacturing electronic apparatus—far more than in this country.

In the majority of electronic control devices the photo-cell—or photo-electric cell—takes the place of the eye of the human controller, and the small impulses from it are amplified to bring into action the motor, or motors, which serve for the human arm. But always the machine eye and the machine arm are quicker, far quicker.

In colour matching, for example, the human worker may be fast and accurate in the morning, but by afternoon the accuracy is no longer there; the human eye has tired. Photo-cells can distinguish up to two million shades of the same colour, and can go on doing it indefinitely and faster.

One great advantage, especially where capital expenditure is concerned, is that electronic controls can be fitted to existing machinery. Lathes and milling machines can be equipped with photo-cells, which will follow a template and guide the machine to cut the work to the same shape.

Automatic

In textile manufacture, cloth can be automatically squared-up so that the warp and weft are always at right-angles, or printed fabrics can be fed into the drying stoves without any wandering from the rollers.

In this development—another British invention, by the way—the amount of light received by the photo-cell is controlled by the edge of the fabric. If the cloth wanders off the straight, more light reaches the photo-cell, which then reacts to bring machinery into use to straighten the cloth.

In the Bessemer process for making steel, photo-cells can check the colour of the flames and control furnace temperature.

In colour printing, the cells can guarantee an accurate register between several impressions.

Electronic counters can count sweets, buttons, watch-jewels, cigarettes, screws, pins and needles at rates up to 30,000 per minute. They can also count in batches of any desired number, and pass each batch to other machines for packing and labelling. Modified machines can make counts at 600,000 per minute.

There are electronic lamps whose multiple flashes are synchronised with the revolutions or movements of machine parts. When the lamp is switched on, the moving parts appear to stand still, and can be examined while they work, even though they may be revolving at 3,000 revolutions, or more, per minute.

Photo-cells operated by incoming trains turn on the "Mind The Gap" notices on some of the curving London Underground platforms. They also count the number of visitors to displays and exhibitions.

Electronic "brains"— machines with such strange names as ENIAC, EDVAC, EDSAC, ACE —can make 5,000 additions in one second; a million multiplications in an hour. They can solve abstruse, complicated mathematical problems—such as some of those involved in nuclear physics and aerodynamics—which have not been attempted by human computers because they would take too long.

The 'Brains'

Electronic metal detectors can detect ferrous and non-ferrous metal particles in such things as foodstuffs, tobacco, plastics, timber and pharmaceutical products. They will automatically stop the production flow when any metal is discovered, and, if required, will eject the offending articles and restart the machine.

The decisive factor in production costs is the number of man-hours needed to produce any particular article. In turn, the number of man-hours depends on the extent to which automatic production is used.

Variously labelled the "Atomic Age," and the "Century of the Common Man, this twentieth century could far more accurately be called the "Electronic Age," for in the wider use of electronic controls lies a great part of the secret of super-abundant industrial production.

Perhaps even more important, electronic controls can free men and women to do work machines cannot do; work which requires a mind behind the brain.

Man, at last, can become the master, not the slave, of the machines.

Britain And The A-Bomb

By CAPT. RUSSELL GRENFELL, RN

The most controversial strategical question of modern times still remains unresolved.

The question is: How much reliance can be placed, as a war-winning factor, on the unrestricted bombing of an enemy country?

Neither in America nor over here is there any agreement on the subject. In America there is indeed a sharp cleavage of opinion.

One school of thought, which evidently includes Mr. Johnson, the Defence Secretary, puts its shirt on the atom bomb as a means of swiftly annihilating every principal city in an enemy land. The other school believes in the traditional methods of warfare and regards the claims of the bombing school as exaggerated.

In Britain there is the same clash of opinion.

Bombing Results

It is therefore a pity that a document known as the United States Strategic Bombing Survey is now unobtainable in Britain.

The is one of the most important publications since the war, giving the results of a scientific investigation into the effects of the great Anglo-American bomber offensive against Germany. And very surprising many of those results are.

For example, how many of our people know that, in spite of the heaviest bombing, the total German war production continued to increase till after the Normandy landing in 1944; and that in that year the German output of aircraft was for the first time higher than the British?

The survey shows that the case for "strategic bombing" was greatly overstated during the war. And if so, perhaps the case for atom-bombing (an intensified form of strategic bombing) is being equally over stated now.

Much mental confusion on this subject is due to incorrect phraseology; and particularly to the appropriation of the word "offensive" to describe strategic bombing.

Properly, the term offensive and defensive should be reserved for the enemy's armed forces.

From time immemorial until the coming of air strategy the prime object in war has been to destroy those armed forces, as the surest way to complete victory. It has not been to kill enemy civilians.

Thus in 1914-15, when German warships took to bombarding our East Coast towns, no one in the Admiralty gave a thought to reprisal bombardments of German towns. The whole endeavour was to catch or destroy the raiding battle-cruisers next time they came. This was the true offensive.

It follows that the true offensive in the air is to shoot the enemy's aircraft out of the sky; which means that the offensive aircraft type is the combat plane, not the bombers—whether atomic or otherwise.

The correct adjective for the latter, if used "strategically," is "destructive."

Fighters Weak

An erroneous belief by the Air Ministry before the war that the bomber was the offensive weapon led to our fighter force being left dangerously weak, as became painfully evident in 1940. By all accounts, our own fighter force is seriously underdeveloped today, and probably for the same reason.

"We are sinners all—present company excepted, of course!"

All The King's Swans...

By RHONA CHURCHILL

It has been a most undignified thing to be a swan on the River Thames last week.

Pa and Ma, having just become used to the parental joys of paddling proudly up and down stream with their babies and of showing them off before admiring, crumb-throwing humans, have had their peaceful domesticity abruptly and rudely interrupted by the arrival in banner-decked rowing boats of the King's Swan Keeper and his brothers.

The Turk brothers — Frederick (the King's Swan Keeper), Richard (Swan Master of the Vintners' Company), and Herbert (Dyers' Company Swan Master) —and their assistants, all dressed in gay-coloured liveries, have been moving slowly upstream on their annual task of carrying out the age-old swan-marking rites.

Big Round-Up

Every baby swan born on the river between Putney and Henley this spring will have been rounded up by sundown today and marked according to its parentage or release unmarked as a "King's swan."

The ceremony dates back to the 12th century, when the Kings of England drew revenue for their wars by charging high prices to their wealthier subjects for the right to keep swans.

Cygnet ment, then a delicacy, was the Christmas Day dish of the rich, and men caught swan-stealing were summarily hanged.

They forgot to repeal that little law, so swan-stealing is still a capital offence. Judging by the number of cygnets that mysteriously disappear from the rivers and lakes of Britain every summer, and the lack of court cases, swan poachers risk neither neck nor purse today.

And if you would like a couple of swans to float on your ornamental lake, you have only to mention the fact to one of the Turk brothers and you will get them gratis, provided you sign a promise not to make a business of selling their progeny.

Mr. Richard Turk, the eldest brother, now an active, agile 74-year-old, knows more about swans than any man.

He has been the Vintners' Swan Master for 46 years, while his brother has guarded the King's swans through four reigns and remembers when he had to collect young swans for Edward VII. to send to his closest friends as Christmas presents.

Licensed watermen of the River Thames make up the Turk brothers' crews. The King's men wear scarlet pullovers and berets, the others blue and white and green and white.

As the scarlet of the King's men was seen rounding the river bend at Hampton Court Bridge small boys on the water's edge shouted and cheered.

A family of swans—two parents with six young—were sighted just short of Molesey Lock. "All-up," cried the leading boatmen. "Move in" shouted Richard Turk.

Pa and Ma swan took evasive action, sheltered their young, tried to escape, were hemmed in by the six skilfully handled rowboats. Pa hissed and splittered impotently, while Ma threw out a pair of sheltering wings, trying in vain to cover her babies.

Pa was collared and dragged into a boat, a feat which looked simple enough but is exceedingly tricky. Often the swan men take several ducklings as angry swans beat out with their wings or frightened cygnets have to be chased along the river bank.

This time a young swan-upper clutched at the male swan's neck with his right hand, while another helped to hitch its two legs up over its tail and hold them firmly together.

Pa was simply furious, but could not move. They looked at his beak. It was unmarked. He was a King's swan.

So was Ma, who was equally outraged. The entire family was lifted into the boats for a once-over inspection by the Turks.

Had both parents worn Vintners' marks—a nick on each side of the beak—Mr. Richard Turk would have nicked their cygnets with his penknife.

Had they been Dyers' birds, Mr. Herbert Turk would have nicked them on the right side of their beaks.

Had Pa been a King's swan and Ma a Vintners', then half of their babies would have been allotted to the King and the others to the Vintners, with the odd cygnet, if any, taking the father's side.

As both were King's swans, the King's Swan Master merely cut the cygnets' flight feathers and dropped the birds back into the river.

Pa and Ma watched, more cross than anxious. Dropped back into the water after their young, they paddled off, waggling their sterns angrily, and made quickly for the opposite bank, hoping to recover something of their lost dignity in its sheltering greenery. And the swan-men passed on upstream.

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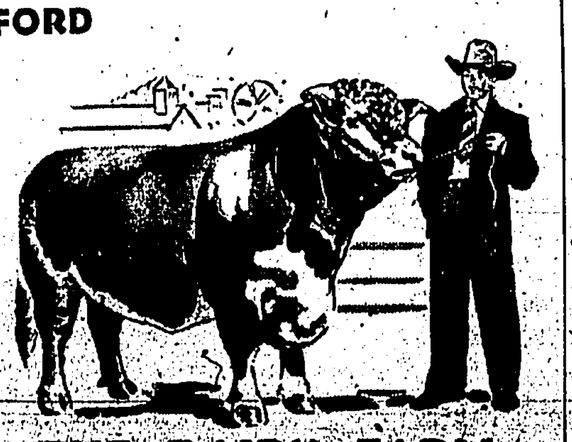

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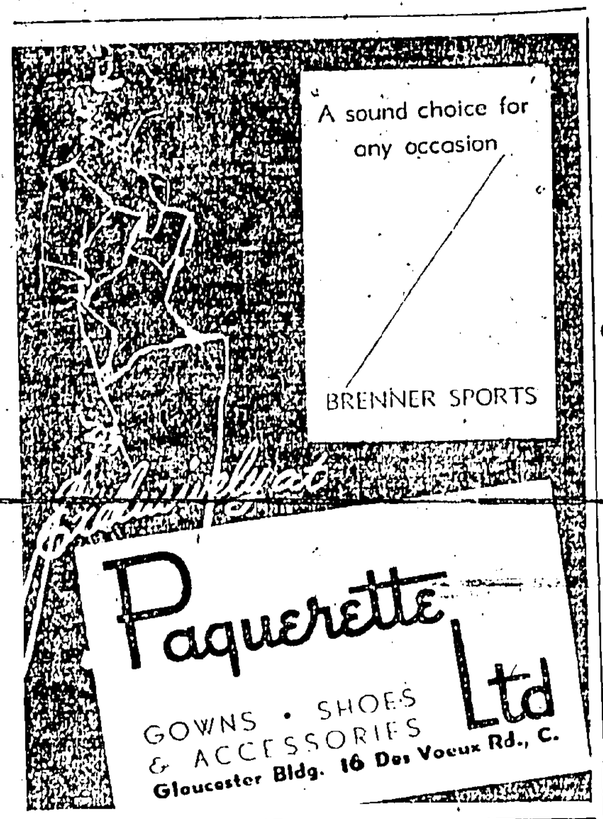

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SUITS FOR AUTUMN

By JANET MARTIN

Our autumn fashion budget invariably finds a lightweight suit at the top of the list, for a smart suit in natural linen, slub linen, rayon-linen, tussore, palm beach or sharkskin is about the most useful outfit of all for any date between breakfast and tea.

In general outline, suits for the autumn feature slim skirt lines with wrist length jackets curved to a natural fit without too much "nipping in" at the waist.

A slender waistline is as necessary as ever, but its neatness can be emphasised by clever cutting and the contrast of jutting pockets and revers, rather than by an exaggerated tightening of the waistband.

All the best points of many seasons past are to be found among this autumn's models, suitably modified for comfort and harmony.

There are basques and peplums, but they have gentler, more rounded lines. The "jutting out" effect is lent by pockets and revers of unlimited ingenuity.

Outstanding Feature

Pockets, indeed, are the most outstanding feature of the new suits, no mere additions or trimmings, but part of the structure of the suit itself. Pockets, and, to a lesser extent, revers, add the distinctive touch to models which are otherwise almost severely tailored.

So, if you have a good, plain linen costume and can find similar in a contrasting colour, try a pocket-and-collar set . . . or make it a threesome, with matching cuffs. The whole set can be buttoned on and just as easily detached.

Another fashion note of special interest to renovators is the smart idea of contrasting linings. When suits have to be cleaned or laundered so frequently, the lining is usually the first part to go. If this is your problem, change the old lining for a new one of striped chambray, for a cool and washable surprise touch.

Skirts keep their slim outline, but there is room for as many inconspicuous pleats as you require for comfort or choice. . . . meaning smooth knife pleats or inverted pleats rather than the more obvious box pleats. Of course, there are a few models with all-round, or sun-ray pleating, but these are hardly suitable for our autumn suit materials, which even now, although wonderfully improved, are hardly as crease-resisting as we could wish.

Revers: Pockets

Returning to the enthralling subject of pockets and revers, here is a small list of some of the more unusual designs. If you favour the "jutting" line to break the slimness of your suit, there are stiff double revers, which fold right back upon themselves.

If you are tall and slim, the wide, folded revers will be arranged across, to add width. If you need a longer line, they will roll back from the long, narrow revers of a link-button jacket.

Pockets incorporated in the jacket peplum can be flat or "stand off", so long as they really are part of the jacket. Among pockets I specially noted are ones with inverted pleats to match the skirt, buttonned together at the tops; pockets with huge flaps ridge-stitched all over to match curved back revers; and "security" pockets, with crossover tabs, ostentatiously buttonned to match tabbed revers.

Tone-On-Tone Colour Scheme In America

By GLORIA BIGGS

California designers, in their autumn collections, are bidding a slow but certain farewell to the square shoulders they have sponsored so long.

They continue to introduce fashion excitement through brand new fabrics or brand new treatment of old favourites.

And, though their designs often reflect the influence of Paris their clothes retain the basic simplicity which is essentially Californian.

In the matter of shoulders, there are two specific types. One is curved, has a round shoulder pad, and is usually used with unmounted sleeves (cut in one with the bodice). The other, which is numerically much less important, is square but with a very small pad that never extends beyond the natural shoulder. With the sponsorship of the unmounted sleeve comes a major revival of the deep dolman cut, especially in dresses and coats.

There is almost endless news on the subject of fabric. Louella Ballerino introduces nylon velvet, said to be washable! Egyptian cotton glove suede, long used for gloves, is shown for the first time in coats, dresses, separates and accessories by De De Johnson and other designers. It looks very much like the more familiar suede, except that it has a faint horizontal stripe. It's not supposed to mat and can be spot cleaned with soap and water, as the fabric is washable.

A machine knit wool with a brocade pattern that you'd certainly think was done by hand is introduced by Joy Kingston. And Meredith does dresses in machine-made ribbon knit.

Other fabric news includes the emphasis on tweed, light-weight worsted jersey in patterns as well as solid colours, velveteen, and wide-wale corduroy.

A feeling for ribbed materials in dressier fabrics is expressed by the use of ottoman and faille, iridescent materials of some kind, usually taffeta, but also unexpected iridescent fabrics as gabardine, are shown a great deal.

Fabric contrast

Throughout all the collections, there's a definite liking for fabric contrast, as tweed or wool with velvet, corduroy with jersey or even with crepe.

All the designers say they have shortened daytime hem lengths slightly, a half inch or an inch. But they are still quoting 12 and 13 inches from the floor as the length they sponsor, which is the same length they were quoting for spring. Floor length is the rule on evening gowns, ankle length or shorter for informal dinner gowns, and anywhere from 6 to 10 inches for dress-up afternoon dresses.

Much more newsworthy than skirt lengths, however, is the way panels float across almost every showroom on at least one dress, and there are other indications of the French influence as a slim skirt with an enormous pouff over one hip, or a diagonally slashed overskirt.

There are lots of pleats. All-around accordion pleats are staging a major comeback here. One long inverted pleat from waist to hem is often used for introducing fullness into an otherwise slender skirt, and unpressed pleats are also favoured. Skirt widths vary from slim to full.

In suit jackets, however, there is much variety. The fitted wristlength jacket is the most popular, but Adele also shows several shorter hipbone-length jackets. There is a definite tendency again to belted jackets and those with set-in belts at back, almost in the Norfolk manner. Patterned jackets — in stripes, checks or plaids—teamed with solid coloured skirts are a top fashion.

The leading coat silhouette, is the one with a flared back and the exaggeratedly deep dolman sleeves that spring out from the bodice just above the waist.

Many Co-ordinated Separates

Co-ordinated separates are very much in the California limelight this year. Houses like Hollywood Premiere do their entire collection around this theme, playing up the tone-tone colour scheme, achieved by using different textures, rather than featuring dyed-to-match colours.

Such fabrics as tweed, velveteen, surah, jersey, and flannel are mixed with striking effects.

Slacks seem to be regaining popularity, one designer stating that they are climbing out of their classic status into a more important place style-wise. Sleeveless jackets and weskits are shown repeatedly.

The tone-on-tone idea used in separates is also used in dresses and suits, and is really the big colour story this season. There is also much use of two or three sharply contrasting colours. Outstanding shades in the fall horizon are red, in both the vivid tones and the darker wines; plum; slate blue; gold; forest green, and dark neutrals as taupe and pewter. Winter navy and brown both vie for honours with black.

For The Garden

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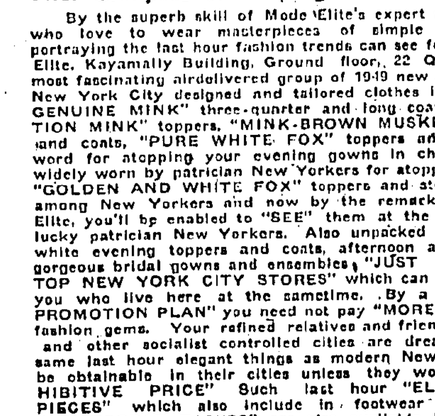

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The Outline Of Beauty:

HAIR STYLE AND PROFILE

By CLAUDIA

What is your most familiar view of yourself? The one you catch in the mirror, of course, full face, front outline.

That is the most usual view, but don't let it be the only one . . . . there are other views which your friends see more of than you do yourself. The back view is a possibility the side view more than a probability—and the profile view may be your best silhouette.

Perhaps you take a great deal of care with your make-up, making the most of each good feature, softening the not-so-good and arranging your hair in a becoming frame for your particular shape of face. But do you study the side angle too? When you chose your last new hair-style, did you consider its suitability from the side as well as from the front.

Side views may be out of sight, but they should never be out of mind, for the balance of curl against curve is an important factor in the sleight of hand we call "making the best of ourselves."

Balanced Hairstyle

If you have either too much or too little of such things as forehead, nose and and chin, then your hairstyle must be cleverly balanced from side, as well as front. Your aim is to reduce the proportions of your shortcomings so that they are remembered only as those distinctive points which are so inimitably you the characteristic touches which are memorable and different.

Here is my simple guide for matching hairstyles with profiles:

Foreheads. Whether the forehead is very low or very high, the camouflage is the same . . . merely to cover up the hair-line so that everyone is fooled and no one really knows that your hairline is not in the mathematically perfect position.

So never brush the hair straight back. A low forehead can be balanced by a short bang, curling high on the forehead to *just* cover the hairline.

The high forehead is reduced by covering the hairline with a soft wave and drawing the hair forward over the temples.

Long Nose. Even if you yearn for a short crop or a smart, brushed-up hair style, these just are not for you . . . they make long noses look longer.

Slicked-up side pieces and anything piled high on top are equally bad. What you want is a soft wave or curl over the forehead, a smooth line over the crown, breaking into waves or curls at the back of the neck. A page-boy bob is good for you, a smooth roll or bun . . . but keep the back hairline covered.

Short Nose. To give importance to a button nose, one of the new shingle styles is perfect. If you don't care for the shingle, arrange your back curls to form a V point at the nape. Brush the front hair up and away from the forehead and arrange in a pompadour or curls on the top of the head.

Small Chin. If you have very little chin, your profile appearance can be greatly improved by a hairstyle on Grecian lines, with curls caught high at the back of the crown, or a bun worn high at the back.

These styles emphasise and lengthen the line from the chin, along the jaw, to the back of the skull and are just as good for short chins as they are bad for long ones.

The Vamp Slinks Back To Paris

By EDNA McKENNA

Vamp styles are on the way back. Fobert Piguet in Paris recently showed a collection with evening gowns directly inspired by Theda Bara, vamp of the silent films.

Slinky dresses in brightly-coloured satins and black velvet, they were draped at the back or at one side, while hobble skirt and evening dresses in satin and gold lame had stiffened overskirts.

They had a very high decolletage in front ending in a halter, but backs were bare to half-way down the spine. They looked as if the wearers had been poured into them.

These dresses were dramatised by long black satin or velvet gloves, feathered fans and headdresses, dangling earrings, and pointed court shoes.

The models wearing them developed a new style of walking, a seductive slinky sort of prowl, which caused onlookers to think back nostalgically to the days of the silent films."

Strong Man

Short hair styles have captured Paris again. The bob shingle and Eton crop are all forecast, and hairdressers say that as autumn leaves fall the floors of their salons will be strewn with shorn-off curls.

Jacques Fath has already ordered all his mannequins to the hairdressers.

At Balmain's, one of the models, Odette, has a complete Eton crop. Her hair slinks back from her forehead, is worn absolutely flat without sign of wave or curl.

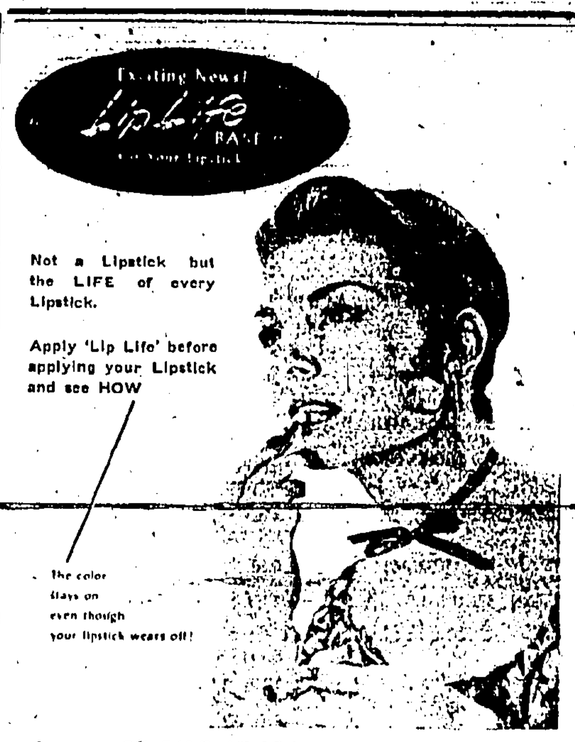
Pierre, Princess Margaret's hairdresser in Paris, has brought out surrealist types — lacquered scrolls which can be fixed to the natural hair.

Others even more surrealistic are shaped like orchids or flowers from a dream fantasy.

At Balmain's also is to be seen the latest in jewellery ideas—the earrings necklace. It consists of a triple row of pearls flung from ear to ear by means of star-shaped diamond earrings.

At Marcel Rochon is the longest earring in Paris. It is shoulder length and looks like a sawn-off necklace.

Smart Parisiennes will adopt a definite mask for the autumn. It will be a glamorous mother of pearl macquillage designed to go with the latest dress colours.



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Now that women are in keen competition with men, demanding equal rights, equal pay and equal what not, and are trying to keep pace with us in almost every phase of life, we wonder how would they feel if suddenly there appeared a pair of moustaches and a growth of beard on their lovely faces.

There was a time when 'delicacy' was one of the charms that a woman displayed to subdue the hearts of men; now a pair of pants and a masculine haircut has replaced this quality. She is no more the weaker sex.

She hates to think that man is her superior and protector. But the very fact that she desires to wear pants, whereas no sane man would like to be seen in a skirt, even in a coal mine at midnight during a total eclipse of the moon, establishes our "superiority."

Also, the fact that the sudden appearance of a mouse makes her jump into our arms with a pleading look in her eyes to protect her from the beast, still gives us the right to be called her "protectors."

If the modern woman could only realise that these masculine gestures on her part are simply killing her feminine charm, she will do a lot of good to herself. They say that "Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery," but Heaven knows that we do not feel flattered when a woman tries to imitate us. We think it is a woman's greatest mistake to desire to be like men. In fact it is a folly.

Talking of pants, we do not really mind looked at them occasionally when they appear on someone with a figure like Katherine Hepburn, but when a "lovely" with a bit of Wallace Beery in her physical structure puts on this garment of purely masculine necessity, we shudder and sigh. Pants do look pathetic on such a woman.

A woman's first duty is to inspire men with her charm and beauty. A pair of pants may make some women desirable but hardly inspiring.

Ann Temple
One Tiff Too Many

Twenty years ago we had that one tiff too many and parted. She was proud and I was jealous, and though we loved each other deeply, that was the end. I never saw her again.

I married and have been very happy. She married happily too. Now I hear she is living within 20 miles of me.

Since knowing that I have a restless desire to go and see her. I am sure she is just as lovely. I would like to say how sorry I am for my behaviour. I would have to go without my wife's knowledge, but is there anything against me going?—D.M.

Since you are both happily married a meeting after 20 years might do no more than provide for a light-hearted exchange of apologies with laughter on both sides at the follies of youth. But such a meeting could more wisely be left to chance without necessity for secrecy.

Your pilgrimage into past deliberately and on your own is a dubious quest. The possibility that it could prove disturbing and unsettling, or that it could destroy illusions, makes it an undertaking that a wise man would avoid.

Keep the beauty of youth for sweetness in your life. Keep its follies for your present lessons. But don't go on that wild goose chase of trying to recapture its realities.

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We have a paying guest—a student—who pays us very little and who has a very comfortable room to herself here. The only extra, and she can afford it, is the gas-fire in her own room.

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It must be the open, frank line. These awkward little problems take on new and still more awkward angles if subterfuge in the name of fact is used.

But the open line can also be the tactful line when nicely timed, and consideration of feelings is genuine, not a disguised fear of unpleasantness.

You are considerate when you see her as young, brash, somewhat thick-skinned, but needing companionship. You can take part blame for not having started in a more defined way.

So choose your moment to ask her if she would like to invite friends in occasionally—coffee in her own room. That opening can lead to the explanation that you and your husband need your evenings to talk over many personal matters and that a certain amount of privacy would make things easier all round.

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NEGOTIATIONS FOR TWO WORLD BANK LOANS TO INDIA PROCEEDING

London, August 26.

Two new International Bank loans totalling US$37,000,000 were being negotiated with the India Government, Mr. Eugene R. Black, President of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, told a press conference here today.

One of the loans was for a US$22,000,000 for a thermal station for the Bokaro project in Bihar. The second was a US$15,000,000 loan for the eradication of Kans grass, a weed which at present prevents much land in India being developed for agricultural purposes.

Mr. Black thought that discussions on both these loans would be concluded within the next few months. He said that further loans might be made to India for suitable projects, but the total amount loaned to Indian would depend on the size of the debt India could service.

Mr. Black indicated that the US$10,000,000 loan for British colonial development, now being negotiated with the British Colonial Development Corporation, might be the first of several such loans.

Although only one project—purchase of machinery, mostly mobile equipment like bulldozers and tractors which may be used in as many as 20 different British territories—was now under discussion, a series of similar projects might be developed over a period of years, he said.

Other points Mr. Black made were as follows:

Yugoslav Loan?

(1) A Bank mission was now in Yugoslavia making a full economic and financial study of the country's need for a loan. He thought there was need for equipment for Yugoslavia's old mines as well as for new ones that might be developed.

(2) Two small additional loans for Finland were being considered.

(3) Loan discussions were still continuing with Egypt.

Mr. Black said that the Bank was not having any discussions about loans with South Africa, Australia or Canada. New Zealand was not a member of the Bretton Woods institutions.

He added that there had been some general discussions with the British Overseas Food Corporation. However, he had not discussed the matter in London.

Mr. Black said he believed that the only new applicant for membership of the Bank at the Bank's annual meeting, opening in Washington on September 13, might be Haiti.

Mr. Black, who left New York last Friday, is returning to Washington tomorrow.—Reuter.

Economic Mission To Near East

Lake Success, August 26.

Mr. Gordon Clapp of the Tennessee Valley Authority today was named by the United Nations Secretary General, Dr. Trygve Lie, to direct a special economic survey mission to the Near East.

Clapp was nominated by the United States which originated the idea for an economic survey and brought about its adoption by a Palestine Conciliation Commission meeting at Lausanne.

The appointment of Clapp was considered particularly apt in view of the fact that the talk of the Near East economic development has long revolved about the idea of a TVA for Transjordan. Clapp will come here early next week to discuss the mission with Lie and help in the selection of a staff of approximately 40 secretarial employees who will accompany the mission.

They will leave for the Near East as soon as possible thereafter.

The three-nation Palestine commission voted on Wednesday to send out a mission. The idea was put forward by Paul Porter, American member in the commission, following his return to Lausanne from a visit to Washington and here.

Radical Switch

The adoption of the plan marked a radical switch in the Conciliation Commission's approach to the problem of bringing a final peace settlement to the Holy Land. Previously, emphasis has been on political issues.

But on the initiative of the United States, the Commission decided to tackle the problem from a new angle on the theory that political differences might be better resolved in the context of economic development.

The special mission will study the capacity of Israel and Arab states to absorb hundreds of thousands of refugees uprooted by the Palestine war and will investigate ways to integrate the refugee resettlement with economic development projects.

Lie announced the appointment of Clapp at his regular weekly news conference. Lie said that Clapp would have three deputies to be nominated by Britain, France and Turkey. France and Turkey are co-members of the United States on the Palestine Conciliation Commission. Britain is included because of its special economic interest in the Near East.—United Press.

Import Ban Removed

Washington, August 25.

The government today removed a ban on private importing of tin. Business firms will be able to buy that metal outside the U.S. for the first time since December, 1941.

The Commerce Department, announcing the action, said also that government restrictions on the use of tin in making cans will be dropped altogether on December 1.

The announcement aroused immediate interest in what will happen to tin prices now that private importing is to be resumed after years in which the government's reconstruction Finance Corporation was the nation's sole importer. The Commerce Department tin experts refused to speculate.

The price of tin rose from around 50 cents a pound before the war to about $1.03 more than a year ago. It has clung to that peak point ever since despite sharp breaks meanwhile in the U.S. prices of many other metals.

Britain Gains

Chief gainer from a high price for tin—provided it is not so high as to hurt sales—is Britain, since British Malaya is the principal source of that metal. The Netherlands East Indies and other Far Eastern areas also are big tin producers.

The Commerce Department explanation of the action was that it is "in keeping with the Department's announced intention to decontrol tin as quickly as supplies appeared adequate to meet the needs of all industry and of the strategic stockpile."

The latest estimates of world production and consumption, reached by an International Tin Study Group in London, were reported by the Department as follows:

Production—for 1949, 170,000 tons, for 1950, 190,000 tons. For 1951, 205,000 tons.—Associated Press.

"Economist" On Burma's Problems

London, August 26.

The London weekly "Economist" today saw encouraging signs of a slow but sure political and economic recovery, after a period of disorder which threatened the complete disintegration of the Burmese State.

It added, "The Burmese Government has drawn much strength and prestige in its ordeal from the support it has received not only from Britain, which by itself might have been more embarrassing than advantageous for Burmese Nationalist leaders, but from India, which cannot be suspected of lack of sympathy for the independence of Asian peoples."

Referring to the visits to London and Washington by the Burmese Foreign Minister, U Maung, the journal wrote, "As a country of such abundant natural resources, Burma must come high on the list in any scheme for 'Fourth Point' economic development in Asia once order is restored and there are some guarantees against the misuse of foreign aid and the confiscation or looting of foreign property."—Reuter.

India Restricts Sterling Imports

New Delhi, August 25.

The Government of India today decided to impose a licence immediately on certain Sterling Area imports.

Open General Licence 16 is cancelled with immediate effect and a new, shorter O.G.L. 16 will be issued.

Open General Licence 16 covers certain imports into India from the Sterling Area.

Announcing this decision, a press note of India's Commerce Ministry said it was considered expedient to have closer control over imports after a comprehensive review of the foreign exchange position in the light of the recent Indo-United Kingdom financial agreement.

All minor items of machinery and machinery spares which were on O.G.L. 15 and the following other items from that O.G.L. namely electro-medical apparatus and books, will be allowed to be imported without licence for a which a new O.G.L. 16 is being issued.

'Goods now removed from the Open General Licence will be allowed to be cleared without licence if shipped on or before September 15, 1949.' —Reuter.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, August 26.

Demand for automobile stocks gave a last-minute boost to steady stock market. Price variations were minor for the most part. Trading was light with only 650,000 shares turning over.

General Motors was a strong contender at the finish, rising a point. Chrysler and Studebaker also firmed. Phelps Dodge, Richfield Oil and Woolworth leaned forward.

Bulky spots included United Aircraft, Allied Chemical, International Paper and Warner Bros.

Dow Jones Average: Stocks 63.46; Industrials 179.24; Rails [illegible]; Utilities 36.02.

Adams Express 19⅜
Alaska Juneau 3⅜
American Can 93
American Smelting 46
American Telephone 144¾
American Tobacco 72
American Waterworks 7⅝
Anaconda Copper 27
Aviation Corp. 5⅜
Baldwin Locomotive 9⅞
Barnsdall 48
Bendix Aviation 28⅜
Bethlehem Steel 20½
Boeing Aircraft 19⅝
Borden Co. 44
Canadian Pacific 12¾
J. I. Case 38¾
Chrysler 51⅞
Colgate 38¾
Commercial Solvents 15½
Corn Products 62⅞
Du Pont 50
Eastman Kodak 43¼
General Electric 37¼
General Motors 61⅝
Goodrich 62⅜
Goodyear 39⅝
Homestake Mining 42⅛
International Harvester 27
International Paper 53⅞
International Tel & Tel 8⅝
Johns Manville 39⅝
Kennecott Copper 46⅛
Montgomery Ward 52¾
National Distillers 20¾
National Lead 32¼
New York Central 10⅛
Packard Motors 4⅛
Pan American Airways 8⅝
Pennsylvania RR 14¾
Radio Corp. 11⅜
Republican Steel 19⅝
Reynolds Tobacco 38⅝
Schenley 28⅝
Sears Roebuck 41¼
Shell Oil 36
Socony Vaccum 16
Southern Pacific 38⅝
Standard Brands 20
Standard Oil of Cal. 68
Standard Oil of N. J. 68⅛
Studebaker 22⅝
Union Bag 23⅞
Union Garbide 39
US Rubber 33⅛
US Steel 22½
Westinghouse 24⅝
Youngstown Sheet & Tube 63
US Lines 15
Gen. Pub. Utilities 14⅞
Remington Rand 9⅝

Corporate bonds held the same narrow route as stocks. United States government held steady in over-the-counter dealings.—Associated Press.

Notice To Consignees

m.v. "MONGABARRA"

Having arrived Hong Kong consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods have been landed and placed at their risk and expense in the godowns of the North Point Wharves Ltd., where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns or failure to attend the survey.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on August 29, 1949, at 10 a.m.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when examining damaged dutiable goods. All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned within fourteen days of the ship's arrival, or they will not be recognised.

No fire insurance will be effected.

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August 24, 1949.

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Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd September, 1949 will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 5th September, 1949 at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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No Insurance will be effected.

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Hong Kong, August 29, 1949.

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND/OR CONSIGNEES CARGO FOR SHANGHAI

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Australian/Far Eastern Shipping Conference,
MACKINNON MACKENZIE & CO.,
Hon. Secretaries.

Hong Kong, August 25, 1949.

Notice To Consignees

s.s. "ESANG"

From SAIGON, STRAITS, & CALCUTTA

arrived August 22, 1949

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed in the premises of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. at 10 a.m. on Monday, August 29, 1949. Consignees are advised to have their Representatives present during the Survey.

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"BENCLEUCH"	Japan	2nd Sept.
*"BENNEVIS"	U.K. via Singapore	5th Sept.
"BENAVON"	—do—	10th Oct.
**"BENWYVIS"	—do—	20th Oc..
"BENLEDI"	—do—	2nd half Oct.
"BENVENUE"	—do—	End Oct.

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	LOADING
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§"BENALBANACH"		Mid Sept.
¶"BENNEVIS"		29th Sept.
‡"BENLEDI"		Late Oct.
"BENVENUE"		Early Nov.
"BENCLEUCH"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg.	2nd Sept.
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"BREST" ..... Europe .....3rd Oct.

SAILINGS TO

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Oluf Maersk (Jibsen) Danish 2897 ex-Bangkok 31 .....C.C. Whf.
Shengking (B & S) British 1492 tons ex-Swatow Capt. D. Brotchie...Cust.

TODAY

Aros (Dodwell) ex-Australia.
Gujarat (Bank) ex-South Africa.
Kim (Mac Mac) ex-Pacific Coast.
Ningtai (B & S) ex-Kobe.
Nordstjernan (Everett) ex-S'pore.
Paducah Victory (USL) ex-Manila.
Pres. Cleveland (APL) ex-San Francisco
Tjitjalengka (RIL) ex-Manila.
Tudor (Dodwell) ex-Atlantic Coast.

TOMORROW

Canada Mail (Everett) ex-Atlantic Coast.
Neijor (Mac Mac) ex-Australia.
Steel Age (Gilman) ex-Atlantic Coast.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Colon (CTS) for Jinsen.
Devonshire (B & S) for Singapore.
Hai Lee (Thoresen) for Holbow.
Hiran (Thoresen) for Manila.
Maxwell Brander (Army) for Singapore.
Pres. Grant (AUL) for Batavia.
Tainan (B & S) for Swatow.
Van Reimsdijk (RIL) for Swatow.
Yochow (B & S) for Tientsin.
Union Carrier (China Union) for Moji.

TODAY

Kweiyang (B & S) for Swatow.

TOMORROW

Bougainville (Bank) for San Francisco.
Fukien (B & S) for Amoy.
Lezardrieux (MM) or Haiphong.
Meridan Victory (Gilman) for Atlantic Coast.
Ningtai (B & S) for Bangkok.
Nordstjernan (Everett) for Japan.
Paducah Victory (USL) for New York.
Pres. Cleveland (APL) for San Frisco.
Tudor (Dodwell) for Manila.

Vessels In Port

Aeneas (B & S) .....T.D.
Alvasovsky (Metro) .....K. Dk.
Alpha Orange (Mollers) .....S.C.
An Dah (Chung Hsing) .....S.C.
Ajax (B & S) .....Holts.
Bankivia (B & S) .....T. Dk.
Benalbanach (Loxley) ..... K. Whf.
Benevolence (Loxley) .....K. Whf.
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Chiping (CMSN) ..... Co.'s Whf.
Chungkung (CMSN) .....S.C.
Cloverleck (Yick Yuen) .....Ymt.
Dah Kiang (W. Leong) ..... S.C.
Dah Tung (NC) .....S.C.
Do Hu Vi (MM) ..... T. Dk.
Fukien (B & S) A.17
Hai Yang (Hai Ying) .....Ymt.
Hai Ying (Hai Ying) .....Yau.
Hai Lin (CMSN) .....Tolo
Hanyang (B & S) B.3
Hung Chang (CMSN) ..... S.C.
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Hupeh (B & S) .....T.D.
Joseph S (PCM) ..... K. Dk.
Kweiyang (B & S) B.14
Lee Che (Ming Sang) ..... S.C.
Lee Kung .....T.D
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Lin Shein (CMSN) .....S.C.
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New Shanghai (Trinity) .....S.C.
Newchwang (B & S) A.9
Northern Hawker (Everett) .... T.D.
Oluf Maersk (Jebsen) A.4
Palikonda (Mac Mac) ..... K. Whf.
Ping An (EA) ..... Ymt.
Poyang (B & S) ..... T. Dk.
Rum River (Caltex) ..... K. Bay
Shengking (B & S) .....Cust.
Sinkiang (B & S) ..... T.K.
Stanvac (SO) ..... LCK
Store Nordiske (GNTO) ..... K.D.
Tai Chung Shan (Sung Cheong)..Ymt.
Taiposhan (Shun Cheong) ..... S.C.
Union Power (Wallem) .... Kow. P
Way Nam (Kung Dah) ..... S.C.
Way Tung (Kintai) .....Ymt.
Yumen (Ming Sung) .....W. Whf.

Vessels Due From

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August
Glenbank (Bank) ex-South Africa 31
Gujarat (Bank) 28
September
Bolsevain (RIL) 28

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

August
Anna Maersk (Jebsen) 29
Andrew Jackson (Wallem) 29
Arizona (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver .. 30
Canada Mail (Everett) 29
Pacific Importer (Jardine) 30
Steel Age (Gilman) 29
Tudor (Dodwell) 28
Washington Mail (Everett) ex-Seattle 31
September
Benarce (Rama) ..... Mid
City Of Poona (Bank) 1
Chinese Prince (Jardine) 17
Colarado (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles 13
English Prince (Jardine) .....End
Fernhill (Thoresen) 13
Golfside (Dodwell) ..... Beg.
Madaket (Wallem) 14
Olga Maersk (Jebsen) 15
Pioneer Bay (USL) 12
Pioneer Mail (USL) 7
Pres. Tyler (APL) ex-New York.. 6
Pres. Van Buren (APL) ex-N. York 4
Reinholt (Wallem) 17
Tarn (Dodwell) 17
Wyoming (Dodwell) 20
October
Belleville (Thoresen) 28
Borgholt (Wallem) 5
British Prince (Jardine) 12
Dona Aurora (Rama) ..... Mid
Fernbay (Thoresen) 10
Hopeville (Thoresen) 4
Laura Maersk (Jebsen) 1
Oregon (Dodwell) 11
Pioneer Dale (USL) 17
Pres. Grant (APL) ex-New York 4
Steel Worker (Gilman) 2
Tarifa (Dodwell) 17
Yaka (Wallem) 10
November
Farnside (Thoresen) 10
Pleasantville (Thoresen) 28

PACIFIC COAST

August
Kim (Mac Mac) 28
Pres. Cleveland (APL) ex-San Francisco 27
September
California Bear (USL) ex-San Francisco 9
Charles E. Dant (Dodwell) 30
Ekefors (Mac Mac) 2
Franciaville (Bank) 31
General Gordon (APL) ex-Frisco 15
Nikobar (E.A.) 26
Pres. McKinley (APL) ex-San Francisco 25
Pres. Pierce (APL) ex-San Francisco 6
Pres. Wilson (APL) ex-San Francisco 13
Sag Sargent (USL) ex-S. Francisco 14
Surprise (USL) ex-S. Francisco 27
Tahsia (E.A.) 5
Vingnes (Wallem) 29
October
Boolongena (Wallem) 31
Castleville (Bank) 21
J Luckenbach (USL) 4
Serampore (E.A.) 25

AUSTRALIA

August
Aros (Dodwell) 22
Nellore (Mac Mac) 29
September
Baluchistan (Jardine) ex-Melbourne 2
Citos (Dodwell) 30
Shansi (B & S) ex-Sydney 10

CHINA

August
Soochow (B & S) ex-Pusan 29/30
Tainan (B & S) ex-Swatow 30
September
Hangsang (Jardine) ex-Keelung .. 3
Kweiyang (B & S) ex-Amoy 1/2
Shengking (B & S) ex-Swatow .. 1
Wingsang (Jardine) ex-Keelung .. 4

EUROPE

August
Benmacdhui (Loxley) 30
Calchas (B & S) 30
Tydeus (B & S) 30
September
Agapenor (B & S) via Straits 9
Bennevis (Loxley) 5
Canton (Mac Mac) ex-London 14
Denbighshire (Jardine) ex-London 3
Eumaeus (B & S) ex-U.K. 8
Glenartney (Jardine) ex-London .. 20
Glenorchy (Jardine) ex-London .. 30
La Marseillaise (MM) 10
Mariekerk (RIL) 9
Morella (East Asiatic) ..... Mid
Pyrrhus (B & S) ex-U.K. via Straits 14
Ravnaas (Thoresen) 3
Socotra (Mac Mac) 29
Talabot (Thoresen) 10
Trevelyan (Mac Mac) ex-London.. 18
Ulysses (B & S) 10
October
Benavon (Loxley) 10
Benledi (Loxley) ..... 2nd half.
Benvenue (Loxley) ..... End
Benwyvis (Loxley) ex-U.K. 20
Brest (MM) 8
Carthage (Mac Mac) ex-London.. 24
Glencarn (Jardine) ex-London ... 12
Kambodia (EA) ..... Mid
Molenkerk (RIL) ..... Early
Tallyrand (Thoresen) 10
November
Korea (E.A.) .....End
Shillong (Mac Mac) ex-London.. 8
Tamerlane (Thoresen) 10

INDIA

September
Pundua (Mac Mac) ex-Bombay ..Mid
Sangola (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta .. 20

JAPAN

August
Benledi (Loxley) 2
September
Chinon (MM) 20
Changsha (B & S) 10
Eastern (Mac Mac) 6
Foochow (B & S) ex-Kobe 4/5
Hindustan (Jardine) 3
Kutsang (Jardine) 2
Leneverett (Everett) 4
Mariekerk (RIL) ..... End
Produce (B & S) ex-Kobe 5
Purnea (Mac Mac) 8
Rijnkerk (RIL) 6
Straat Malakka (RIL) 5
Tjibondok (RIL) 14
October
Bolsevain (RIL) 4
Straat Soenda (RIL) 29

SOUTH EAST PORTS

August
Hinsang (Jardine) ex-Sandakan .. 30
Nordstjernan (Everett) ex-S'pore 28
Paducah Victory (USL) ex-Manila 28
Tasman (RIL) ex-Singapore 30
Tjitjalengka (RIL) ex-Manila 28
September
Belapur (Everett) ex-Singapore 11
Bolsevain (RIL) ex-Manila 23
Igadi (Wallem) ex-Philippines ... 7
Marine Snapper (APL) ex-Samabaya 23
Pioneer Bay (USL) ex-Manila .. 26
Pioneer Mail (USL) 22
Pioneer Tide (USL) ex-Manila .. 1
Szechuen (B & S) ex-Brunei 2/3
Turkshead (Everett) ex-Singapore 8
Tasman (RIL) ex-Manila 15
Tjibadak (RIL) ex-Java Ports .. 2
Tjibadak (RIL) ex-Manila 15
Tjisadane (RIL) ex-Java Ports .. 14
Van Heutsz (RIL) ex-Singapore.. 12
October
Straat Soenda (RIL) ex-Manila .. 18

SOUTH AMERICA

September
Bolsevain (RIL) 23
October
Straat Soenda (RIL) 19

Sailings To

AFRICA

September
17 Tjibondok (RIL).
Mid. Gujarat (Bank).
21 Chinon (MM) for North Africa.
October
7 Straat Malakka (RIL).
8 Brest (MM) for North Africa.
November
5 Bolsevain (RIL).

AUSTRALIA

August
30 Nankin (Mac Mac).
1 Toronto (Dodwell) for Fremantle.
September
12 Changsha (B & S) for Sydney.
7 Hindustan (Jardine) for Sydney.
10 Nellore (Mac Mac).
19 Aros (Dodwell) for Sydney.
30 Baluchistan (Jardine).
October
Mid. Citos (Dodwell) for Sydney.
28 Hermelin (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
30 Tudor (Dodwell) for Manila.

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

August
30 Canada Mail (Everett) for Seattle.
29 Meredith Victory (Gilman).
29 Paducah Victory (USL) for New York.
31 Arizona (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
30 Sally Maersk (Jebsen).
September
1 Washington Mail (Everett) for Seattle.
4 Pioneer Tide (USL).
6 Pacific Importer (Jardine).
7 Irisbank (Bank) for Boston.
7 Pres. Tyler (APL) for New York.
12 Fernhill (Thoresen).
12 Arnold Maersk (Jebsen).
21 Wyoming (Dodwell).
24 Pioneer Mail (USL).
12 Grete Maersk (Jebsen).
12 Pioneer Bay (USL) for N. York.
End English Prince (Jardine).
October
6 Beaver Victory (Gilman).
5 Pres. Grant (APL).
12 Gramon (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
21 Steel Executive (Gilman).

PACIFIC COAST

August
29 Bougainville (Bank) for Frisco.
29 Pres. Cleveland (APL) for San Francisco.
29 Meridith Victory (Gilman).
29 Great Republic (USL) for San Francisco.
September
7 Pres. Pierce (APL) for San Francisco.
8 Allegheny Victory (Gilman).
11 China Transport (Jardine) for San Francisco.
8 California Bear (USL) for San Francisco.
13 Colorado (Dodwell) for Los Angeles.
15 Sea Serpent (USL) for San Francisco.
15 America Transport (Jardine).
16 General Gordon (APL) for San Francisco.
19 Pres. Wilson (APL) for San Francisco.
21 Nykobar (E.A.).
26 Pres. McKinley (APL) for San Francisco.
26 Tudor (Dodwell).
29 Surprise (USL) for San Francisco.
October
1 Charles E Dant (Dodwell).
2 Beaver Victory (Gilman).
5 J. Luckenbach (USL) for San Francisco.
18 Tarn (Dodwell).
21 Steel Executive (Gilman).
26 Serampore (E.A.).
November
18 Tarifa (Dodwell).

CHINA

August
29 Fukien (B & S) for Amoy.
28 Kweiyang (B & S) for Swatow.
30 Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
30 Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.
September
1 Soochow (B & S) for Inchon.
6 Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.
7—Chaksang (Jardine) for Inchon.

EUROPE

August
21 Benmacdhui (Loxley).
2 Beneruachan (Loxley).
2 Bencleuch (Loxley).
31 Nissaa (Nolasco & Co.).
September
2 Corfu (P & O) for London.
3 Somali (Mac Mac) for Antwerp.
2 Malaya (E.A.) for Oden, Port Said.
3 Tydeus (B & S) for Liverpool.
6 City Of Evansville (Bank).
6 Denbighshire (Jardine) for London.
7 Rijkerk (RIL) via Manila.
8 Astyanax (B & S) for Liverpool.
11 La Marseillaise (MM) for Marseilles.
Mid. Benalbanach (Loxley).
15 Benarce (Gilman).
20 Ravnaas (Thoresen).
21 Chinon (MM) for Antwerp.
21 Glenroy (Jardine) London.
24 Halland (Gilman).
25 Calchas (B & S).
30. Canton (Mac Mac) for London.
End. Mariekerk (RIL) via Manila.
29 Bennevis (Loxley) for Liverpool.
October
Beg. Morella (EA).
5 Talabot (Thoresen).
6 Brest (MM) for Antwerp.
7 Hemland (Gilman).
9 Agapenor (B & S) for Liverpool.
15 Benavon (Loxley).
23 Socotra (Mac Mac).
26 Carthage (Mac Mac) for London.
Late. Benledi (Loxley).
End. Molenkerk (RIL).
November
Early Benvenue (Loxley.
Beg. Kambodia (EA).
Mid. Benwyvis (Loxley).
25 Corfu (Mac Mac) for London.
December
23 Canton (Mac Mac) for London.

INDIA

September
1 Palikonda (Mac Mac) for Calcutta.
10 Purnea (Mac Mac) for Bombay.

JAPAN

August
29 Nordstjernan (Everett).
September
14 Mariekerk (RIL).
1 Pakhoi (B & S) for Yokohama.
4 Baluchistan (Jardine) for Kobe.
6 Rebeverett (Everett).
15 Belapur (Everett).
Mid. Pundua (Mac Mac).
24 Bolsevain (RIL).
22 Sangola (Mac Mac).
October
20 Straat Soenda (RIL).

SOUTH EAST PORTS

August
29 Lezardrieux (MM) for Haiphong.
29 Ninghai (B & S) for Bangkok.
29 Tudor (Dodwell) for Manila.
31 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Java Ports.
30 Steel Age (Gilman) for Batavia.
30 Hai Hsia (CMSN) for Penang.
September
2 Newchang (B & S) for Singapore.
2 Tjibadak (RIL) for Manila.
3 Van Riemsdijk (RIL) for S'pore.
4 Hangsang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
4 Kweiyang (B & S) for Saigon.
5 Kutsang (Jardine) for Singapore.
6 Leneverett (Everett) for Manila.
8 Pioneer Mail (USL) for Manila.
7 Tasman (RIL) for Manila.
8 Foochow (B & S) for Singapore.
10 Turkshead (Everett) for Manila.
13 Pioneer Bay (USL) for Manila.
17 Tjibindok (RIL) for Manila.
16 Tjibadak (RIL) for Java Ports.
21 Van Heutsz (RIL) for Singapore.
22 Francisville (Bank) for Singapore.
24 Marine Snapper (APL) for Sourabaya.
29 Tjisadane (RIL) for Java Ports.
20 Hermelin (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
October
18 Pioneer Dale (USL) for Manila..
8 Steel Worker (Gilman) for Batavia
5 Straat Malakka (RIL) for Manila.
7 Straat Malakka (RIL) for Manila.
November
5 Bolsevain (RIL) for Manila.
30 Straat Soenda (RIL) for Manila.

SOUTH AMERICA

September
17 Tjibondok (RIL).
October
7 Straat Malakka (RIL).
November
5 Bolsevain (RIL).
30 Straat Soenda (RIL).

ROUND THE WORLD

September
6 Pres. Van Buren (APL).

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

Arrivals

TODAY

CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.15 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Amoy: 4.50 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Canton: 6.40 p.m.; ex-Hulhow via Canton: 8.40 p.m.; ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Guam: 11 a.m.
CATC ex-Chungking via Canton: 2.25 p.m.
CPA ex-Manila: 12 noon; ex-Singapore via Bangkok: 2.45 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 12.55 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7.15 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.
BRAATHENS ex-Oslo, Bangkok: 4 p.m.
BOAC ex-London via Bangkok: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Singapore: 6 p.m.; ex-Tokyo: 6 p.m.

TOMORROW

AIR FRANCE ex-Paris via Saigon: 12.30 p.m.
CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Foochow via Amoy: 4.50 p.m.; ex-Taipeh: 4.20 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Hulkow via Canton: 3.40 p.m.
CATC ex-Canton.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 12.55 p.m., 2.10 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 6.10 p.m.; 7.15 p.m.; ex-Manila: 4.20 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila: 1.45 p.m.; ex-New York via London, Istanbul, Damascus, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok: 2.15 p.m.
BOAC ex-Singapore: 3 p.m.; ex-London via Bangkok: 5.40 p.m.; ex-Tokyo: 6 p.m.

TUESDAY

CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Amoy: 5.40 p.m.; ex-Taipeh: 4.20 p.m.; ex-Calcutta via Rangoon, Kunming: 5.25 p.m.; ex-Kunming via Liuchow, Canton: 3.35 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Haikow via Canton: 3.40 p.m.
CATC ex-Taipeh via Amoy, Swatow: 6.20 p.m.; ex-Kunming via Liuchow, Canton: 6.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 12.55 p.m., 2.40 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 6.10 p.m., 7.15 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.
PAL ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Manila: 1 p.m.
POAS ex-Bangkok: 4 p.m.
QANTAS ex-Sydney: 3 p.m.

Departures

TODAY

CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 a.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Taipeh via Amoy: 8.45 a.m.; Calcutta via Kunming, Rangoon: 9.30 a.m.; Chungking via Canton, Liuchow, Kweilin: 8.30 a.m.; Chungking: 8.50 a.m., Haikow via Canton: 3 a.m.
CATC for Chungking: 7 a.m.; Canton: 3.15 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 3 p.m., 5.30 p.m.
POAS for Singapore via Bangkok: 7.15 a.m.

TOMORROW

AIR FRANCE for Paris via Saigon: 7 a.m., 1.30 p.m.
CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 a.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Foochow via Amoy: 8.45 a.m.; Taipeh: 10 a.m.; Kunming via Canton, Liuchow: 9 a.m.; Chungking via Canton, Liuchow, Kweilin: 8.30 a.m.; Haikow via Canton: 8 a.m.
CATC for Amoy: 7 a.m.
CPA for Singapore via Bangkok: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m., 4.30 p.m., 5.30 p.m.; for Manila: 8 a.m.
PAA for Bangkok: 3.30 p.m.; San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Wake, Midway, Honolulu: 4.30 p.m.; San Francisco via Okinawa, Tokyo, Wake, Honolulu: 5.30 p.m.
BOAC for Manila: 9 a.m.

TUESDAY

CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 4.30 p.m., 5.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 a.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Taipeh via Amoy: 8.45 a.m.; Taipeh: 10 a.m.; Haikow, via Canton: 8 a.m.
CATC for Taipeh via Swatow, Amoy: 8 a.m.; Kunming: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m., 4.30 p.m., 5.30 p.m.
PAA for New York via Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, Damascus, Istanbul, London: 2.30 p.m.
BOAC for Southampton via Bangkok: 7 a.m.; for Tokyo: 8.15 a.m.; for London via Bangkok: 9.30 a.m.; for Singapore via Saigon: 10 a.m.
BRAATHENS for Oslo via Bangkok: 9 a.m.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

The ss. Paducah Victory (V.7-In) is due to arrive here today. She will be moored to Buoy A-8 for discharge and loading of her cargo.

The vessel is expected to sail for New York via Japan tomorrow afternoon.

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S.S. "HANGSANG" Sandakan ..... 4th Sept.
S.S. "KUTSANG" .S'pore, Penang & Calcutta .. 5th Sept.
S.S. WINGSANG" .Keelung ..... 6th Sept.
S.S. "CHAKSANG" Inchon ..... 7th Sept.

ARRIVALS FROM

S.S. "HINSANG" .Sandakan ..... 30th Aug.
S.S. "KUTSANG" .Japan via Keelung ..... 2nd Sept.
S.S. "HANGSANG" Keelung ..... 3rd Sept.
S.S. "WINGSANG" Keelung ..... 4th Sept.

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SAILINGS TO

S.S. "BALUCHISTAN". Kobe & Yokohama ..... 4th Sept.
M.V. "HINDUSTAN"* Madang, Lae, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide 7th Sept.
S.S. "BALUCHISTAN" Australia via New Guinea 30th Sept.

ARRIVALS FROM

S.S. "BALUCHISTAN" Melbourne, Sydney & Saigon ..... 2nd Sept.
M.V. "HINDUSTAN" Japan & Kobe ..... 3rd Sept.

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(Carriers option to proceed via other Ports to load/discharge cargo)

ARRIVALS FROM U.K. VIA STRAITS

	Leaves London	due Hong Kong
M.V. "GLENROY"	Now discharging	Holt's Wharf
M.V. "DENBIGHSHIRE"	27th July	3rd Sept.
	Berths at Kowloon-Godown Co. Wharf	
M.V. GLENARTNEY" ...	15th Aug.	20th Sept.
M.V. "GLENORCHY"	25th Aug.	30th Sept.
M.V. "GLENEARN"	6th Sept.	12th Oct.

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Australia China	Jardine's	30911	Ivaran Far East	Wallem	34177-9
Aust. W. Fac. Line	Dodwell	29021-6	Klaveness Line	Bank Line	27701
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B.I.S.N. Co.	Mac. Mac.	27721-4	Pacific Far East	U.S. Lines	31231
Canada Asiatic	Dodwell	29021-6	Pacific Orient	Wallem	34177-9
China Navigation	B & S	30281-3	Pacific Transport	Jardine's	30911
China Steam	Thoresen	31241-3	P & O	Mac. Mac.	27721-4
China Merchants	S.N.	31233	Prince Line	Jardine's	30911
De La Rama	SS	29679	Royal Interocean Line		29616-7
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East Asiatic		34121-4	Scindia S.N. Co.	H. Otd & Co.	32348
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Everett Orient Line	Everett	31206	States Marine Lines	Gentle	31241
Explore Line	Wallem	34177-9	Stoomv. S.S. Co.	Dodwell	29021-6
Furn Line	Thoresen	31241-3	Swedish Asiatic	Gilman	31148
Glen Line	Jardine's	30911	Wallenius	Wallem	34177-9
Hr. Reise Line		25648	Western Canada	Jardine's	30911
Holland East Asia	Royal Li.	28915-7	Wilh. Wilhelmsen	Thoresen	31241-3

MM SHIP HERE FROM JAPAN

Twenty tons of Japanese products were discharged here by the French freighter Oyunnax on her arrival from Nagoya yesterday.

There were 14 foreign passengers who are in transit to Europe.

The Messageries Maritime vessel had 1,600 tons for other ports. She arrived here via Keelung.

PIGS AND COWS FROM SIAM

This time it is not wild denizens of the Siamese jungles that the freighter Mui Hock brought from Bangkok.

Among her cargo of some 3,000 tons when she arrived yesterday were 220 pigs, a few sucklings and 200 cows.

The only passengers who disembarked here were the eight "pig-boilies" who played nursemaids to the animals.

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SAILINGS TO

"KWEIYANG"	Swatow & Amoy ..	5 p.m. 28th Aug.
"FUKIEN"	Amoy, Keelung Yokohama & Kobe	9 a.m. 27th Aug.
"NINGHAI"	Swatow & Bangkok	5 p.m. 29th Aug.
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	6 p.m. 30th Aug.
"TAKHOI"	Yokohama & Kobe	4 p.m. 1st Sept.
"SOOCHOW"	Inchon, Pusan & Moji	5 p.m. 1st Sept.?
"NEWCHWANG" ..	S'pore & Batavia ..	5 p.m. 2nd Sept.
"KWEIYANG"	Saigon	3 p.m. 4th Sept.
"FOOCHOW"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya, Samarang & Batavia ..	8th Sept.
	Sails from Custodian Wharf.	

ARRIVALS FROM

"SOOCHOW"	Pusan, Inchon & Amoy	29th/30th Aug.
"TSINAN"	Swatow	a.m. 30th Aug.
"SHENGKNIG" ...	Swatow	7 a.m. 1st Sept.
"KWEIYANG"	Amoy & Swatow? .	1st/2nd Sept.
"SZECHUEN"	Sbu & Dumaguete	2nd/3rd Sept.
"PRODUCE"	Kobe	5th Sept.
"FOOCHOW"	Kobe & Keelung ..	4th/5th Sept.

RIVER SERVICE

	Hongkong/Canton Dept. Hongkong	Canton/Hongkong Arr. Hongkong
"FATSHAN"	Midnight 30th Aug. & 2nd Sept.	7 a.m. 1st & 4th Sept.
"WUSUEH"	Hongkong/Macao Dept. Hongkong 2 p.m. Saturday ..	Macao/Hongkong Arr. Hongkong 4.45 p.m. Sunday

BLUE FUNNEL LINE

Non Schedule Vessel

"TYDEUS" ..... Liverpool, Glasgow & Dublin ..... Loading 31st Aug. Sailing 3rd Sept.

Schedule Sailings to Europe via Aden, Port Said.

"ASTYANAX"	Tangier, Casablanca, Havre & Liverpool	8th Sept.
"CALCHAS"	Genoa, Marseilles Liverpool & Glasgow	25th Sept.
"AGAPENOR"	N. Africa, Havre & Liverpool	9th Dec.

ARRIVALS FROM

"CALCHAS"	U.K. via Straits ...	30th Aug.
"TYDEUS"	—„—	30th Aug.
"EUMAEUS"	—„—	8th Sept.
"AGAPENOR"	—„—	9th Sept.
"ULYSSES"	—„—	10th Sept.
"TYRRHUS"	—„—	14th Sept.

NEW YORK SERVICE

"AJAX" ..... Loads for Halifax, Boston & New York 24th Sept.

Carriers option to proceed via other Ports to load & discharge cargo.

AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE LTD./CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD. JOINT SERVICE

SAILINGS TO

"CHANGSHA"	Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide	12th Sept.

ARRIVALS FROM

"SHANSI"	Sydney, Brisbane, Townsvill & Manila	10th Sept.
"CHANGSHA"	Japan	10th Sept.

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An Idea To Brighten Up Present Day Cricket

(By DENIS COMPTON)

Can you picture me playing cricket in a top hat, drainpipe trousers and with side whiskers? It might come to that if a reader, Mr. Bill Sammons, of Halton, Leeds, has his way—not that he's likely to, however.

Bill wants to brighten up the game. Not by using a smaller ball or giving bonus runs, which he describes as "silly talk," but by a return to single-wicket cricket. He wants only one man batting at a time and the double run to be made to count as one run only.

Phew! That would mean dashing 44 yards for every run scored outside boundaries. Makes hard work of scoring a century, doesn't it? "No changing the field after each over." Mr. Sammons goes on. "This will brighten our cricket up.

"If we don't watch out we'll soon have the Yankees bringing their baseball to England and that will make cricket die out....Cricket is losing its popularity. People are getting sick of it..."

No, Mr. Sammons, you're barking up the wrong tree. Single-wicket cricket isn't going to provide any fireworks. In fact, I'd say it would be far more dull to watch than the present game. I can't see the batsmen taking any more risks, and I reckon the most frequent entry in the "How out" column would be "Retired exhausted."

Coaching By Pros.

A member of the Birmingham Education Committee, Councillor J. Wood, is a man after my own heart. He wants elementary schoolboys to be coached by professionals. That's something I'd very much like to see.

Our big schools have their pro's and a fine job they are doing. But in the lower grade schools the lads have to be content with what tips they can pick up from the teachers who march them on to the nearest playing field.

And though they do their best most of these masters are by no means experts at the game.

You've only to watch a game in any public park to realise how little the players—more particularly the batsmen—know of the game.

They enjoy their cricket. I've no doubt, perhaps more than we do in the county games.

But the few who take their cricket seriously would have been far better players if they'd had proper coaching when they were young.

Kent Hold Kiwis To Draw

Canterbury, August 26.

Leslie Ames today scored 152 not out and defied the New Zealanders' attack for four hours to enable Kent to retain their unbeaten record against the tourists.

At the close of play Kent were 250 for five in their second innings. They had made 184 in their first, the New Zealanders scoring 358 and 204 for six declared.

Hadlee declared the tourists' second innings closed this morning after they had added 65 to their overnight score, and Kent were set to get 379 in four hours and 20 minutes for victory.

Ames began his great innings in the first over, after Todd was caught in the slips. For two hours he batted with great care while making his first 50 runs, which included five fours. Afterwards he drove magnificently and altogether hit 22 fours.

When two and a half hours remained three wickets were down for 88, but Pawson stayed 40 minutes and finally Clark, the captain, defended solidly for 65 minutes.

This was Ames' sixth century of the season, and he now requires only six more to complete his hundred centuries in first-class cricket. He is also within 16 runs of his 2,000 for this season.

New Zealand 358 and 204 for 6 declared.

Kent 1st innings 184.

SECOND INNINGS

Todd c Suteliffe b Cowie	0
Fagg b Rabone	31
Ames not out	152
Davies b Rabone	8
Pawson b Cowie	28
Evans st. Mooney b Burtt	7
Clark not out	19
Extras	5
Total (for five)	250

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Cowie	14	3	44	2
Cave	9	2	29	0
Burtt	30	12	59	1
Rabone	23	5	81	2
Suteliffe	3	0	17	0
Hadlee	1	0	8	0
Donnelly	1	0	7	0

—Reuter.

Women's Amateur Golf Finalists

Chicago, August 26.

Medalist Peggy Kirk of Findlay, Ohio, and runner up Helen Sigel of Philadelphia, won semi-final triumphs in the 29th Women's Western Amateur Golf Championship today to set up a friendly finale tomorrow between the pals of five years standing.

Miss Kirk, who whipped the Westmoreland country club for a three under par 73 in the qualifying round, eliminated Miss Polly Riley of Fort Worth four and two, while Miss Sigel, who had 74 in the qualifications, defeated Miss Mary Agnes Wall two and one. Neither of today's winners was in any danger.

Miss Kirk, playing in the tournament for the seventh time, won the first two holes and kept putting on the pressure the rest of the way. She was four up after nine holes and Miss Riley captured only one hole in the match, the 14th, when Miss Kirk went over the green but the Ohio girl came back to drop a 14-foot putt on the 16th to clinch the win.

Miss Sigel took the first hole when Miss Wall three putted and although the Michigan star deadlocked the match when Miss Sigel bogied the fourth she missed the fifth green herself for a bogie and Miss Sigel was ahead again. —United Press.

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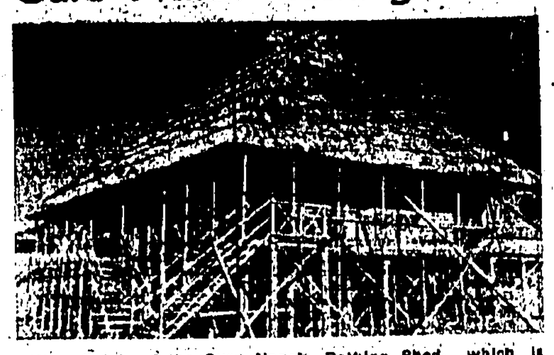

The officials of the Guru Nanak Bathing Shed, which is located on the foreshore at Kennedy Town, opposite Green Island, have been served by Government with a notice to quit, effective from August 22. ("China Mail" Photo.)

ARMY SOCCER TRIAL

In preparation for the forthcoming soccer season, the Army held their first trial yesterday, when two games were played at Sookunpoo.

The intense heat did not serve to dampen the enthusiasm of the players who took part in the games.

In the first game of the afternoon between Red & Black and Green & White, the former beat the latter by three goals to one. Garner, Kingshott and Brown netted for Red & Black, while McAllen scored for Green & White.

The second game, which was more keenly contested than the first, ended in a victory for Red & Black, who beat Reds by two goals to one. Russell and Millner scored for Red & Black. A penalty for "hands" was awarded against Red & Black and Captain Woods, who was entrusted with the spot kick, made no mistake with a powerful drive.

As the players who took part in the games were drawn from different units and as some of them were not playing in their accustomed positions, the team work was not altogether perfect.

Individually, however, the players created a very favourable impression. Although it would be difficult to single out players for special praise, it must be said that Fairbrother, Cannie and Garnar repeatedly caught the eye.

It is hoped to hold another trial next week. With the wealth of talent at their disposal, the Army Selectors should have no difficulty in selecting a very formidable Army XI.

Yesterday's teams:

Red & Black: Naven, Bowden, Thompson, Tubbs, Byard, McGregor, Beesley, Garner, Brown, Kingshott and West.

Green & White: McCulloch, Moffat, Baines, Bannister, Shaw, Cannie, Williams, McAllen, Wright, Bones and John.

Red & Black: Fairbrother, Roberts, Wilcox, Thorn, Griffiths, Woods, Devlin, Milliner, Brooks, Russell and Bevis.

Red: Mannering, Barker, Clarkson, Crossley, Sargent, Kirkland, Ward, Arnott, Woods, Frater, Gledhill and Brown.

United States Lead Australia 2-0 In Davis Cup

Forest Hills, August 26.

The United States today won the first two singles matches in the Davis Cup Challenge Round against Australia.

In the first match, Ted Schroeder of California fought his way hard to defeat Bill Sidwell 6-1, 5-7, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

In the second, the United States champion, Dick Gonzales Los Angeles, beat Frank Sedgman, 8-6, 6-4, 9-7.

Schroeder was absolute master in the first fourth and fifth sets after Sidwell surprised by taking a 2-1 lead in the sets. Schroeder needed only 16 minutes to win the first set and seemed ready for a victory when he led 4-2 in the games in the second set but Sidwell rallied and forced Schroeder into repeated errors.

The American star, who never has lost a singles match in the Davis Cup play, came back in the last two sets with a furious attack, scored placements with tremendous volleys and smashes and needed only 30 minutes to win both sets.—United Press.

Cucelli Wins

Seabright, N. J., August 26.

Italy's Ginni Cucelli won his quarter-final match in the Seabright Tennis Tournament today but Italy's other Davis Cup player, Marcello del Bello, was beaten.

Cucelli beat Straight Clark of Los Angeles, 7-5, 2-6, 6-4. Earl Cochell of San Francisco, who is a heavy favourite to win the tournament, beat Del Bello, 6-4, 6-2.

The other semi-finalists are Richard Savitt and William Vogt. Cucelli and Clark played a hard-fought match which the Italian won with superior forehand placements.

Cochell played easily versus Del Bello and never had to extend himself.—United Press.

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MAIL NOTICE

GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Tuesday, August 30, 1949, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will open from 8 a.m. to Noon. The other Branch Post Offices from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. There will be one delivery of Registered and Ordinary Correspondence and one collection only from pillar boxes at 10 a.m.

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Closing Times by Sea

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Swatow and Bangkok, 3 p.m.

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GENERAL HOLIDAY

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

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Airmail for: Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) and Ord.) Noon.

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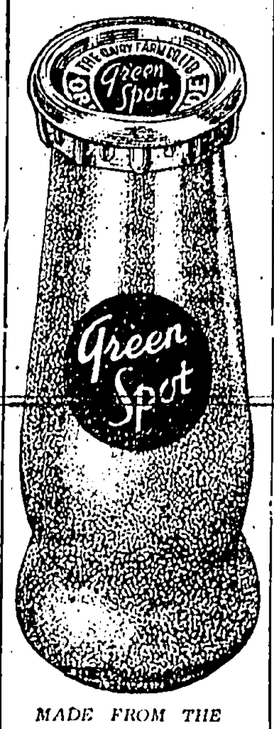

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RECREIO SCORES WIN OVER KBGC

POC Third Div. Champions Lose

With the First and Third Division Lawn Bowls League titles already decided, chief interest is now centred on the progress of Second Division teams.

In this respect Club de Recreio who are leading the league, beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club at Austin Road by four points to one while Kowloon Cricket Club, their nearest rivals, had a bye.

Hong Kong Cricket Club scored a good win over Taikoo Dock Club by three points to two and Craigengower Cricket Club, playing at Lome, beat the Filipino Club by three points to two. Indian Recreation Club beat Hong Kong Football Club by four points to one.

Two matches in the First Division League which were postponed earlier on in the season, were played off yesterday and resulted in Kowloon Cricket Club beating Indian Recreation Club by four points to one.

Club de Recreio "A" without the services of J. A. da Luz, R. F. da Luz, A. M. Sousa and C. Roza Pereira beat Police Recreation Club at King's Park by four points to one.

Entertaining this year's Third Division League Champions at Cox Road, Kowloon Cricket Club beat the Prison Officers Club by seven shots the final score being 60-53.

A. Jillot making one of his rare appearances on the lawn bowls green, skippered the only visiting rink that won. He beat veteran G. Lee in an exciting finish by two shots.

FIRST DIVISION

KCC—IRC

Playing at home in a First Division Lawn Bowls League match, Kowloon Cricket Club beat the Indian Recreation by 17 shots, the final score being 58-41. The visitors won on one rink.

KCC		IRC	
A.E.P. Guest		M.B. Hassan	
J.N. Wong		O.R. Sadick	
E.C. Fincher		A.R. Kitchell	
J. Orem		U.A. Rumjahn	
(Skip)	24	(Skip)	10
G. Rosselet		M.I. Razack	
A.J. Kew		J.M.A. Rumjahn	
W. Butterworth		A.J. Hussain	
C.S. Rosselet		J. Hoosen	
(Skip)	20	(Skip)	16
C. Thompson		A.H. Abbas	
W. Hong Sling		A.R. Minu	
T.A. Madar		K.M. Rumjahn	
F. Goodwin		A.K. Minu	
(Skip)	14	(Skip)	15
Total	58	Total	41

Recreio "A"—IRC

Although playing without four of their regulars players; Club de Recreio "A" beat Police Recreation Club in a First Division Lawn Bowls League match at King's Park by 14 shots, the final score being 65-51. The home team won on two rinks.

Recreio "A"		PRC	
G.A. Guterres		D. Taylor	
F.V.V. Ribeiro		P. Ross	
C.E. Marques		J. Davies	
J.E. Noronha		J. Shepherd	
(Skip)	28	(Skip)	11
P.M.N. da Silva		M. Saul	
B.P.F. Marques		C. Pope	
L.F. Xavier		W. Hillyer	
J.F.V. Ribeiro		J.M. Forrest	
(Skip)	13	(Skip)	22
A.P. Pereira		W. Cameron	
G.A. Noronha		H. Brown	
J.C. Remedios		W.E. Hollands	
C.C. Pereira		C.H. Gough	
(Skip)	24	(Skip)	18
Total	65	Total	51

SECOND DIVISION

KBGC—Recreio

Playing at home in a Second Division Lawn Bowls League match Kowloon Bowling Green Club lost to the Club de Recreio by 21 shots, the final score being 70-49. The home team won on one rink, which was skippered by J. G. Meyer.

KBGC		RECREIO	
T. Wren		R.M.V. Ribeiro	
P. Hughes		B. Pintos	
J. Tindall		J. P. Xavier	
L. A. Collyer		A. F. Noronha	
(skip)	14	(skip)	29
A. Hutton		L. S. Silva	
J. Robertson		M. F. Pinna	
J. Crighton		A. V. Gosano	
A. Spary		M. Alarcoun	
(skip)	11	(skip)	23
A. P. Weir		A. M. Silva	
T. P. Styles		P. Costa	
H. A. Lammert		N. A. Peltrao	
J. G. Meyer		A. A. Lopes	
(skip)	24	(skip)	18
Total	49	Total	70

TDC—HKCC

Taikoo Dock Club who, entertained Hong Kong Cricket Club in a Second Division League Lawn Bowls game, lost by one shot in an exciting game, the final score being 58-57. The home team won on two rinks but the 11 shots win of Brown over Kinninburgh gave the visiting team the aggregate points.

TDC		HKCC	
J. B. Baxter		D. Phillips	
D. R. Daily		L. R. Wood	
C. Bovaird		A. E. Howkins	
J. Kinninburgh		A. W. Brown	
(skip)	15	(skip)	20
A. Steven		F. C. Black	
R. Griffin		P. Kennedy	
W. McKie		H. F. Shields	
W. Melrose		W. Williamson	
(skip)	22	(skip)	18
R. B. Marshall		A. Graham	
J. Rowan		R. H. Wild	
J. A. Watson		R. A. Edwards	
J. C. Chalmers		J. Prentice	
(skip)	20	(skip)	14
Total	57	Total	58

CCC—FC

Craigengower Cricket Club beat the Filipino Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls League match at Happy Valley by nine shots, the final score being 66-57.

The home team won on one rink but the victory gave them three points. The visitors won on two rinks.

CCC		FC	
C. E. Coelho		W. F. Johnston	
F. Lee		W. S. Chang	
Dr. C. W. Lamx		J. W. Lee	
A. J. Coelho		R. Basa	
(Skip)	15	(Skip)	24
P. K. Lau		T. K. Lim	
J. H. Xavier		I. S. Castilho	
A. H. Rumjahn		Dr. V. N. Atienza	
M. J. Medina		W. Field	
(Skip)	32	(Skip)	10
G. Hong Choy		A. Y. Lee	
G. Ladd		I. S. Castro	
S. Marvin		F. Rodrigues	
E. S. Franks		W. C. Ogley	
(Skip)	10	(Skip)	23
Total	66	Total	57

HKFC—IRC

Indian Recreation Club beat Hong Kong Football Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls League match at Happy Valley by five shots, the final score being 64-59. The home team won on one rink.

HKFC		IRC	
J. S. Howell		S. O. Bux	
C. Strange		M. A. Wahab	
M.N. Rakusen		A.R. Razack	
N.J. Bebbington		A. M. Wahab	
(Skip)	36	(Skip)	5
G. Brown		A. M. Kadir	
L. Hemley		E. R. Marker	
T. Pile		A. M. Rumjahn	
B. I. Bickford		S. M. Rumjahn	
(Skip)	16	(Skip)	23
L. Strange		D. M. A. Razack	
H.B.L. Drawbiggin		A.R.A. Rahman	
A. McAlpine		I. Ali	
Dr. J.A.R. Selby		M. Y. Adal	
(Skip)	7	(Skip)	36
Total	59	Total	84

Kennedy's Fine Effort

Mr. Pete Kennedy, who has been suffering from a serious neck injury for the last five months and has only been out of plaster for two weeks, played a magnificent game of bowls for the HKCC in their match against Taikoo yesterday.

Mr. Kennedy, who was called in to play at the last minute to fill a vacancy played a prominent part in HKCC's victory—a win which saved them from relegation.

THIRD DIVISION

Recreio—KDC

Visiting the Club de Recreio at King's Park in a Third Division Lawn Bowls League match, Kowloon Docks Club beat the home team by 10 shots, the final score being 63-53. The home team won on one rink.

Recreio		KDC	
R.A. Campos		W. Baines	
J.A. Victor		C. Collins	
M.L. Roza		H.G. Hutchinson	
J.J. Basto		W. Conway	
(Skip)	19	(Skip)	15
J.A. Pinna		J. Martin	
M. Nunes		W. Elliott	
J. Cotton		W. McKay	
L.A. Rozario		J. Campbell	
(Skip)	16	(Skip)	21
J. Fonseca		W. Chamber	
S.E. Souza		W. Stronach	
E.H. Carvalho		R. Gourley	
D.C. Alves		J. Leitch	
(Skip)	18	(Skip)	27
Total	53	Total	63

FRIENDLY MATCHES

KCC—POC

The Prison Officers Club who last week won the Third Division Lawn Bowls title, were beaten by the Kowloon Cricket Club at Cox's Road in a friendly match by seven shots, the final score being 60-53. The home team won on two rinks. Making one of his rare appearance, A. Jillott beat G. Lee.

KCC		POC	
W. Colledge		A. Maslene	
A. Baggott		J. Caldwell	
L. Brenzy		J. Scott	
G. Lee		A. Jillott	
(Skip)	20	(Skip)	22
J. Baker		R. Rosen	
W. Baker		G. Woodward	
C. Champolovier		A.W. Hircock	
J.A. Tobble		J. McCutcheon	
(Skip)	18	(Skip)	16
A. McLean		A. Jamieson	
F. Howarth		Le Tissier	
C. Stapleton		J. Grindley	
W. Cowie		G. Grant	
(Skip)	22	(Skip)	15
Total	60	Total	53

PRC—KCC

Playing in a friendly Lawn Bowls match at Happy Valley, Police Recreation Club lost to Kowloon Cricket Club by 39 shots, the final score being 82-43.

PRC		KCC	
T. Goodman		J. Chubb	
A. McLeod		A.R. Hung	
J. Redman		E.R. Rosselet	
R. Mackenzie		F.E. Skinner	
(Skip)	16	(Skip)	23
T. Pilkington		H. Gittins	
J. Finney		R. Baker	
B. Hollands		J. Tang	
W. Willerton		T. Baker	
(Skip)	16	(Skip)	23
J. Russell		A.W. Wood	
R. Wilson		E. Rosselet	
M. Saul		R. Capell	
J. Weeks		T. Lock	
(Skip)	11	(Skip)	36
Total	43	Total	82

Ring Star Meets Horsey Namesake

Lee Savold, U. S. Heavyweight, takes a canter on race-horse Lee Savold. The horse is being schooled for jumping. A. P. Photo.

Baseball Scores

New York, August 26.
Today's baseball scores were.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Boston Red Sox	11	17	2
Chicago White Sox	4	7	1
Red Sox: p. Parnell; c. Tebbetts.			
White Sox: p. Pieretti, Surkont; c. Wheeler, Malone.			
Washington Senators	1	6	0
Detroit Tigers	11	18	1
Senators: p. Hudson, Welteroth, Gonzales; c. Evans.			
Tigers: p. Gray; c. A. Robinson, Swift.			
New York Yankees	6	11	0
Cleveland Indians	3	10	0
Yankees: p. Lopat, Page; c. Silvera.			
Indians: p. Feller, Bearden, Paige; c. Hegan.			
New York Yankees (nightcap)	3	7	2
Cleveland Indians	5	9	1
Yankees: p. Raschi; c Silvera.			
Indians: p. Benton; c. Hegan.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis Cardinals	2	5	2
New York Giants	4	10	1
Cardinals: p. Brazle, Wilks; c. Caraglola.			
Giants: p. Jansen; c. Westrum, Mueller.			
Cincinnati Reds	4	8	3
Boston Braves	3	9	1
Reds: p. Raffensberger; c. Cooper.			
Braves: p. Voiselle, Potter; c. Livingston, Crandall.			
Cincinnati Reds (nightcap)	2	7	0
Boston Braves	3	8	2
Reds: p. Vandermeer; c. Cooper.			
Braves: p. Bickford, Hogue; c. Crandall.			
Pittsburgh Pirates	3	8	0
Philadelphia Phillies	2	8	1
Pirates: p. Werle; c. McCullough.			
Phillies: p. Heintzelman, Konstanty; c. Seminick.			
Chicago Cubs	4	8	1
Brooklyn Dodgers	2	6	3
Cubs: p. Rush, Muncrief, Lade; c. Owen.			
Dodgers: p. Hatten, Erskine, Palica; c. Campanella.—United Press.			

Attempts To Bribe Baseball Players Denied

New York, August 27.

A report that there have been hundreds of attempts in recent years to bribe baseball players in the United States has been denied by leading baseball officials.

The New York Post Home News published the report in one of a series of articles on what it calls "a five thousand million dollar a year betting racket."

The newspaper said, "Sums up to $10,000 had been offered players" and in some instances there has been threats of violence. Specifically, it cited tampering letters which, it said, had been sent recently to a Brooklyn player and to Eddie Dyer, Manager of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Letter From Cranks

Baseball leaders acknowledge that there had been such letters but said that they came from "cranks".

Mr. Walter Mulbay, Secretary of Baseball, said in Cincinnati that reports of widespread attempts to "fix" games were without foundation.

Last season five players in the small baseball Evangeline League in the Southern States were declared ineligible for further participation in professional baseball due to charges that they "conspired to throw" a game.

An investigation revealed that some players had been approached by gamblers with "propositions" and the failure of the players to inform the League and officials of their tenths was described as "reprehensible conduct."—Reuter.

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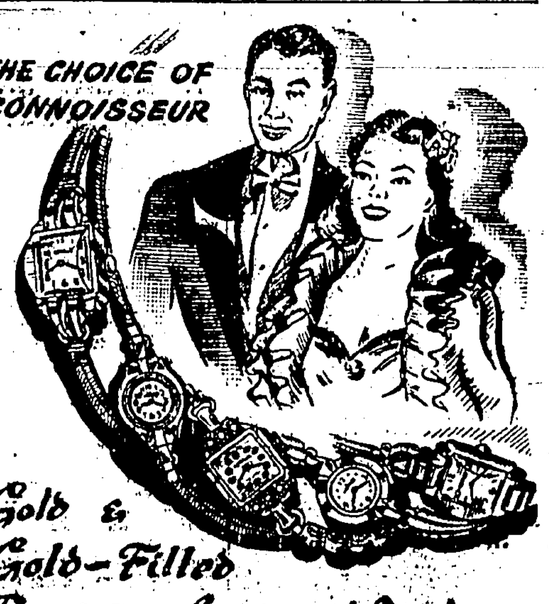

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Furuhashi Again Smashes World's 400 Metre Record

Honolulu, August 27.

The great Hironoshin Furuhashi smashed the recognised world's record for the 400-metre free-style swim for the second time in two weeks here last night when he went the distance in the amazing time of 4 mins. 34.3 secs. in a 100-metre salt water pool.

With only two members of the Japanese team entered, the invading merman ran 1-2 with Samo Tanaka second about 25 metres behind the winner. The closest Hawaiian was third place Bob Kumagai who finished about 30 metres behind Tanaka.

Furuhashi cracked the old record for the event 10 days ago at Los Angeles. At that time he went the distance in 4 mins. 33.3 secs. to erase a mark of 4 mins. 35.2 secs. set by Alexandre Jany of France in 1947. However, both these marks were set in 50-metre pools where the swimmers had the advantage of the additional push at the pool turns.

In the huge Waikiki Beach Pool last night which was filled with heavy salt water, Furuhashi put on one of the greatest swimming displays ever seen in the Islands. He appeared to be sprinting from the starting gun and obviously was attempting to beat his old mark.

He didn't have anything in the way of competition after the first 50 metres. As that time he was a body length ahead of Tanaka and at the end of the 100 metres he was about four metres in front. At the 300-metres mark he was nearly 20 metres in the lead. And he was gaining and sprinting when he reached the final lap. The race was far and away the fastest ever recorded in a 100 metre pool.

A record crowd packed the stadium stands to watch the contest and the spectators gave Furuhashi a great ovation when he was helped from the pool.

Americans Cause Upset

A surprising American swimming team scored a stunning upset here last night as it handed a hitherto invincible Japanese team a defeat in the 400-metre free-style relay of the Hawaiian AAU championships.

The United States mainland team, anchored by Detroit's great Bob Cibe, went the distance in 3 mins. 57.5 secs. to beat the recognised American mark of 4 mins. 4 seconds in the event. However the New Haven swim club has a better mark—3 mins. 48.6 secs which has not yet been approved.

Americans Superior

In the relay, the Japanese swimmers were as strong as ever but the American club which showed its superiority in the short races at the National AAU in Los Angeles 10 days ago could not be beaten.

Cibe, who won that event, gained a full metre in the 100 metres he swam as the anchor lap against Shigeyuki Murayama. Swimming in the American team with Cibe were Bob Mugent of the New York Athletic Club, Wally Wolfe of the University of Southern California, and Wally Ris of the University of Iowa.

The Hawaii Swimming Club finished in the third place.

On the Japanese team with Suchi Murayama were Yoshihiro Hamaguchi, Shigeyuki Murayama and Shiro Hoshizume.

Feminine Record Cracked

Evelyn Kawamoto of Hawaii cracked the Hawaiian and American record for the feminine 200 metres when she was clocked in 3 mins. 9 secs. flat. This smashed her old Hawaiian record of 3 mins. 9.8 secs and her American mark of 3 mins. 12.6 secs.—United Press.

Middlesex 88 For 3 Against NZ

London, August 27.

Middlesex today opened their match against New Zealand at Lords and, winning the toss, batted first, making 88 runs for the loss of three wickets by lunch time.

John Reid, the 21-year-old all rounder, who kept wicket in the Test, opened the bowling for the first time during the tour and within 20 minutes he clean bowled Brown and Edrich with only three runs on the board.

The total reached only 11 in 35 minutes when Middlesex lost a third wicket, Robertson edging an outswinger from Cowie to the wicket-keeper.

Denis Compton, however, never looked in trouble and with Dewes he helped to add 77 for the unfinished fourth wicket stand by lunch, when the total was 88.

Dewes, then 35, had been missed by Mooney, standing back to Cowie, before opening his score.

Scores: Middlesex 1st innings.	
Brown, b Reid	0
Robertson, c Mooney, b Cowie	0
Edrich, b Reid	2
Denis Compton, not out	44
Dewes, not out	35
Extras	1
Total (for three)	88

—Reuter.

IRC SOCIAL EVENING

The Social Sub-Committee of the Indian Recreation Club has arranged a Social Evening for Saturday, September 10, when the "Malayan Serenaders" (Malayan personnel of the Royal Air Force) will entertain with songs etc., in costume. This will be followed by a dance.

A nominal charge of $5 will be made for each table and members are advised to make their bookings as early as possible with the Bar Boy.

YESTERDAY'S SOFTBALL RESULTS

USS Begor beat the Hong Kong Musicians Union 8-6 in a keenly contested softball game at King's Park yesterday, while the powerful USS Floyds Bay squad went down to a crushing 7-2 defeat at the hands of USS Dixie.

VRC MEMBERS LEAGUE MEET

The Victoria Recreation Club will be holding a Members Swimming League Meet tomorrow at 6 p.m. at the VRC Pool.

The following is a list of the events down for decision and the names of swimmers taking part.

Members 150 yards Back Stroke Handicap: A. K. Rumjahn (Greens), D.M. Collaco (Whites), E.M. Petrove (Blues), P. Thompson (Greens).

Members 200 yards Breast Stroke Handicap: S.E. Carvalho (Greens), D.M. Collaco (Whites), J. Yvanovilh (Greens), M. Roza (Whites).

Members 50 yards Free Style Handicap: G. P. Blenkinsop (Greens), K.A. Baker (Browns), F. Monterio (Whites), C. Silva Netto (Unattached).

Members 220 yards Free Style Handicap: F. Monterio (Whites), J. Yvanovich (Greens), E. Clemo (Greens), P. Thompson (Greens).

Ladies 100 yards Free Style Handicap: Doris Barton (Browns), C. Eager (Browns), J. Eager (Blues), J. Evans.

Ladies 50 yards Free Style Handicap: Barbara Osmund (Browns), J. Eager (Blues), C. Eager (Browns), M. Fincher (Greens).

Senior Boys 220 yards Free Style Handicap: M. Sargison (Whites), George Noronha (Browns), F. Xavier (Whites), M. Guierres (Greens).

Senior Boys 100 yards Back Handicap: F. Xavier (Whites), M. Sargison (Whites), M. Guterres (Greens), George Noronha (Browns).

Senior Boys 100 yards Breast Stroke Handicap: A. Guterres (Blues), B. Marshall (Browns), L. Guterrez (Blues), A. Basto (Greens).

Junior Boys 100 yards Free Style Handicap: F. Holcroft (Browns), J. Noronha (Browns), L. Gutierrez (Blues), D. Osmund (Browns).

Junior Boys 75 yards Individual Medley Relay: J. Noronha (Browns), L. Gutierrez (Blues), A. Alonco (Browns), D. Osmund (Browns).

Members 3 x 100 yards Medley Relay: Greens, Blues, Browns, Whites.

Junior Boys 4 x 50 yards Free Style Relay: Blues, Whites, Greens, Browns.

CHANNEL SWIMMER GIVES UP WHEN NEAR GOAL

Dover, England, August 27.

Mrs. Willie Croes van Rijsel, statuesque housewife, gave up her attempt to swim the English Channel a half mile from the English Coast early today when she could not find her way through the thick fog.

Mrs. Van Rijsel, who did not appear tired despite the fact she had been in the water for 17 hours on her second attempt to swim the Channel, asked to be taken into the pilot boat when her coach, Ted Temme, said he could not tell her in which direction to swim.

West said that Mrs. Van Rijsel could have made the English shore with the photographers' aid because she was making good progress against the flood tide which had balked her previous attempt. He said it was the "most" fantastic incident in the history of Channel swimming. West said that Mrs. Van Rijsel persevered in her attempt to swim the Channel despite the fact she had a painfully abscessed tooth.—United Press.

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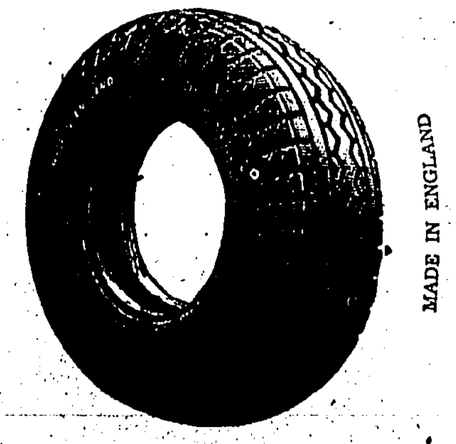

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Home Football Results

London, August 27.

The following were the results of matches played today:

FIRST DIVISION			
Aston Villa	3	Fulham	1
Burnley	2	Bolton	1
Charlton	8	M'chester C.	1
Chelsea	1	Derby	2
Everton	0	Liverpool	0
Huddersfield	2	Middlesbro'	2
Manchester U.	1	West Brom.	1
Portsmouth	2	Blackpool	3
Stoke	3	Birmingham	1
Sunderland	4	Arsenal	2
Wolves	2	Newcastle	1

THIRD DIVISION (North)			
Accrington	1	Rotherham	4
Darlington	5	Halifax	1
Doncaster	2	Chester	0
Gateshead	4	Bradford C	2
Hartlespools	1	Rochdale	2
Mansfield	4	Carlisle	1
Oldham	1	Barrow	3
Stockport	3	Southport	2
Tranmere Rov.	2	N. Brighton	1
Wrexham	4	Lincoln City	0
York	1	Crewe Alex.	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"A"			
Aberdeen	1	St. Mirren	0
Clyde	2	Dundee	0
East Fife	3	Raith Rov.	2
Falkirk	2	Hibernian	1
Hearts	4	Stirling Ath.	5
Motherwell	1	Partick	1
Rangers	2	Celtic	0
Third Lanark	1	Queen of S.	1

SECOND DIVISION			
Bradford	1	Sheffield W.	3
Bury	1	Brentford	2
Cardiff	1	Swansea	0
Chesterfield	2	Plymouth	0
Grimsby	3	Coventry	2
Leicester	1	Hull	2
Preston	1	Leeds	1
Q. P. R.	1	Southampton	0
Sheffield U.	2	Luton Town	2
Tottenham	2	Blackburn	3
West Ham	2	Barnsley	1

THIRD DIVISION (South)			
Aldershot	2	Millwall	1
Bournemouth		Port Vale (late)	
Brighton	1	Northampton	1
Bristol R.	0	Notts County	3
Crystal Pal.	2	Ipswich	0
Norwich	3	Bristol C.	0
Notts Forest	1	Walsall	0
Reading	5	Leyton Orient	1
Southend	0	Newport	0
Torquay	1	Swindon Town	0
Watford	1	Exeter City	2

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"B"			
Albion Rovers	2	S'housemuir	2
Allon	1	Cowdenbeath	4
Arbroath	3	Dumbarton	1
Dundee United	6	Airdrie's	0
Dunfermline	3	Queen's Park	0
Forfar	3	Hamilton	0
Kilmarnock	2	St. J'stone	0
Morton	3	Ayr United	3

—Reuter.

"Professionalism" In Hong Kong Soccer

(By "ROVER")

The refusal of the Hong Kong Football Association to take any action regarding allegations of "professionalism" in local soccer is being viewed with considerable misgiving by all true lovers of the game.

It was at one time the hope of many that the newly elected officials of the Hong Kong Football Association would immediately set themselves to the task of bringing about a better state of affairs in local soccer.

Judging by what has happened since the newly elected officers took over office, there is not likely to be any material change in conditions.

If anything, the attitude which is being adopted by the HKFA clearly indicates that it is bent on pursuing two courses.

In the first place, it is going to "sit on the fence" rather than antagonise any particular party.

Secondly, it will demand, as it has already done, that those who bring to its notice allegations of "professionalism" should produce concrete evidence. This demand is, no doubt, intended to act as a deterrant to those who wish to clean up local soccer.

By its attitude, the HKFA, as the body governing amateur soccer in this Colony, is definitely failing in its duty and holding itself up to ridicule.

When a complaint, anonymous or otherwise, appears in the Press regarding the existence of an opium divan or gambling school, the Commissioner of Police does not "sit on the fence" or demand that those making the complaint produce concrete evidence to substantiate their allegations.

Investigations are carried out almost immediately and action is taken where necessary without any reference whatsoever to the person who lodged the complaint.

Is there any particular reason why the HKFA should not adopt the same proceedure regarding the reports which are being freely circulated, both verbally and in the Press, regarding the existing state of football in this Colony?

Mr. J. Skinner, Chairman of the HKFA Council has from time to time promised to do everything possible to maintain the amateur status of players in the Colony. It is difficult to understand how this will be accomplished if the HKFA does not take the initiative.

Account Books

Under Rule 8 of the HKFA, the Chairman is empowered to call upon the different Clubs to produce for his inspection, their books of account and vouchers for the last two years.

From a perusal of these books of account, it could be readily seen whether payments made to players are in accordance with Rule 36 of the HKFA and the Instructions to Rule 29 of the English FA.

Incidentally, it might be of interest to quote these Instructions in view of the fact that an opinion was expressed that $40 a month offered to a schoolboy to play in the Second Division was not sufficient to cover travelling expenses!

"An amateur player may have paid for him, or have refunded to him:—

"(a) Railway, motor, train, boat etc. fares or other necessary expenses, actually incurred by him in travelling from and to his home or work, for the purpose of playing in a match.

"(b) Hotel expenses, i.e. necessary meals during the day and sleeping accommodation, if absent for more than the day, during the actual and necessary absence from home for the purpose of playing in a match.

"(c) Expenses for equipment considered by the Council to be necessary when taking part in a tour abroad organised by and under the controly of the Football Association.

"Extravagent or unnecessary expenses must not be paid by a Club, and every amateur player must give the Secretary of his Club a detailed statement of expenses incurred, with a receipt for the sums paid to him. It is the duty of the Club Secretary to ask for such statement and receipt and to keep the same for production at any time, if required.

"Payment for loss of time, compensation, consideration or remuneration of any kind, other than the items included in (a), (b) and (c) automatically makes a player a professional and renders both him and his Club liable to punishment."

Conference Suggested

The time has come for a show down and it is suggested that Mr. Skinner, as Chairman of the HKFA, invite the representatives of all Clubs affiliated to the Association to a Round Table Conference.

In the interest of the game, it is absolutely essential that the allegations of "professionalism" be dealt with once and for all. The present inactivity of the HKFA is bound to do more harm than good, as it will make the task of office holders in the years to come extremely difficult.

The opportunity might here be taken to again state that there is no objection to "professionalism" so long as it is open professionalism and is conducted on the same lines as professional football is conducted in England.

There is, however, strong objection to "professionalism" beneath the surface, as it places the player who takes part in a game merely for the sake of playing at a great disadvantage in more respects than one.

OTHER SPORTS ON PAGES 26 & 27

Middlesex Assured Of Share In County Championship

London, August 26.

Two exciting finishes to matches concerning Middlesex and Yorkshire, each of whom won by three wickets, packed today's cricket with drama.

No single day this season can have carried so much excitement. While news travelled that Yorkshire were having shocks from Gloucestershire, Middlesex were losing five wickets for 36 runs when going for 193 runs for their win.

This success for Middlesex ensured them of at least sharing the County championship as they have ended their programme of matches.

Yorkshire have one match to play, starting tomorrow against the present champions, Glamorgan, and must win if they are to tie with Middlesex.

It is interesting to note that Glamorgan have recalled 51-year-old J.C. Clay for this game, his first of the season. It was his slow offbreak bowling in the closing matches which played such a big part in Glamorgan winning the title 12 months ago.

Middlesex now have 192 points while Yorkshire have 180, with one more game to play, Worcestershire 160 with one game to play and Warwickshire and Surrey 156 and 152, respectively, each with two games to play.

Worcestshire could get only first innings points in a drawn match today when Surrey were well and truly beaten. But for those happenings, and the victories of Middlesex and Yorkshire the issue at the top might well have been a four-cornered battle for the title over the closing days of the season.

A Tricky Patch

Caught once again on a tricky pitch and in humid atmosphere, which helped the Derbyshire swing bowlers, Gladwin and Copson, Middlesex were early in trouble. Denis Compton had gone in when two wickets were down for one run and alone stood firm until R. W. V. Robins joined him.

They had an unfinished stand of 51 before lunch to revive hopes.

Afterwards they carried on to 90 before Robins left to a slip catch. He once again had helped to save his side as he has done so often before. His 50 came in 70 minutes and included eight fours.

Yet, the real hero was Denis Compton, giving one of those characteristic displays, which have served England and Middlesex so well in other matches.

He was, perhaps, unfortunate to fail by three runs to reach his century before the winning hit in a stand with Jim Sims brought Middlesex their victory.

Just before this, Denis and his brother, Leslie, had taken part in a valuable stand of 53. Compton hit nine boundaries in his 97 not out.

Early in the Middlesex innings Gladwin completed his hundred wickets in championship matches.

Collapse Checked

Gloucestershire's spin bowlers were getting help from the pitch against Yorkshire, who wanted 62 runs today with eight wickets in hand. In an exciting 90 minutes Yorkshire lost five wickets while getting the runs, and not until Yardley went to the crease was a threatened collapse checked.

Watson had earlier hit a valuable 34 and Yardley included five sparking fours in his 23 not out.

Goddard's off-spinners brought him five wickets for 83 and a match analysis of 11 for 138.

Surrey never looked like getting the runs necessary against Warwickshire, for whom Hollies was in good form. With five for 32 he had a match analysis of 11 for 76 with his leg breaks and googlies.

Harvey's Good Form

A feature of the drawn Nottinghamshire-Somerset match has been the continued good form of Peter Harvey, who was awarded his Notts County cap only on Monday.

This week he has taken 19 wickets and his eight for 122 were chiefly responsible for Nottinghamshire getting first innings points.

Although having to follow on Northamptonshire never appeared in danger of losing to Worcestershire for the pitch remained good and they had lost only half their wickets when stumps were drawn and were then 58 runs in front.

One new Northamptonshire record was established when Oldfield, now 39, with scores of 168 and 60 carried his aggregate for the season past the previous best for the County—2,020. This is Oldfield's first two thousand for the season.

Glamorgan and Leicester had a blank day, not a ball being bowled owing to rain and hopes of play were given up soon after mid-day.

Results

Today's results were:

At Huddersfield: Yorkshire beat Gloucestershire by 3 wickets. Gloucester 77 and 213; Yorkshire 181 and 110 for 7. (Goddard 5 for 83).

At Swansea: Glamorgan-Leicestershire match abandoned. No play today. Leicestershire 288 and 34 for none; Glamorgan 353.

At The Oval: Warwickshire beat Surrey by 119 runs. Warwick 232 and 151; Surrey 138 and 126 (Hollies 5 for 32).

At Nottingham: Nottinghamshire drew with Somerset. Notts 443 and 95 for 5; Somerset 318 (Harvey 8 for 122).

At Lord's: Middlesex beat Derbyshire by 3 wickets. Derby 228 and 103 (Revill 62), Warr 5 for 36); Middlesex 139 and 193 for 7 (Denis Compton 97 not out, Robins 50).

At Worcester: Worcestershire drew with Northamptonshire. Worcester 479 for 9 declared; Northants 316 (Oldfield 168) and 221 for 5 (Oldfield 60).—Reuter.

Time To Kill This "Golden Boy" Myth

(By GRAHAM STANFORD)

Whenever he reads those words "Golden Boy" Denis Compton finds it hard not to wince.

So does Dave Crowley, organiser of the current benefit fund for Britain's brightest 31-year-old cricket star, and professionals active and retired on every county ground in the country.

For all of them fear that the extraordinary ballyhoo surrounding this benefit may give the public an entirely false idea of the size of a benefit purse and the circumstances under which it is awarded.

Just how and why is a benefit born and what can a pensionless professional expect from the proceeds?

No player can rely on a benefit as a nest-egg for his old age. It entirely rests with the Club committee whether he receives one or not. Most players who have served their clubs well for 15 or 20 years can expect this reward, but it is entirely voluntary; is no part of any contract which the player may sign.

Kept Middlesex On Map

Compton receives his benefit after 15 years' service with the Middlesex Club. His genius has kept Middlesex and English cricket on the map through some very lean years. He has become an international figure who has given pleasure to millions.

According to the latest official estimates he *will not* receive anything like the £20,000 to £30,000 which some exuberant forecasters appear to believe is already "in the bag."

Record benefit was the £14,000 collected last season for Cyril Washbrook, the popular Lancashire player, who chose the Australian match.

Official estimates today are that Compton should receive about £11,000.

This, invested at 2½ per cent., will provide about £270 a year, which, with tax on unearned income at 9s. in the £, represents about £2 17s. a week. Average retiring age of a cricketer is 40-45.

Great Tribute To Denis

Says Mr. Crowley: "It's important that we should get this in its right perspective. It's good—it's a great tribute to Denis as a player and a personality, but why all this Golden Boy ballyhoo?

The trouble is that our cricketers are 'glamorised' like film stars and paid like bank clerks."

Original target of the Compton benefit was automatically governed by the previous best—the 14,000 netted by Washbrook. But this was unofficially multiplied to between £20,000 to £30,000 with the result that the organisers experienced what they described as "sales resistance" from those who took it for granted that such a sum was already guaranteed.

Rain on the first day of the benefit match cut £1,000 off a £3,000 estimates; unexpected intervention by the Lord's Day Observance Society also whittled down the takings from Sunday club matches.

Collections

Result of the society's campaign was that the clubs opened their gates free of charge and relied on collections.

Two Sunday matches already played produced £400 each, but officials estimate that the proceeds would have been much higher had the clubs charged for admission.

Offers of sweets and bowling tournaments poured in to help swell the fund, many of which were turned down because the Middlesex Club preferred that most of the benefit money should come directly from cricket.

But with all activities, including the sale of special Compton books, autographed photographs, a Sportsmen's Ball, and an evening cricket match at the Arsenal, the organisers believe that they will do well if they can give Compton an equivalent pension of less than £3 a week.

Some professionals have had two benefits in their career (Patsy Hendren was one) but they are very much in the minority.

Far more have left cricket after a lifetime's service without sufficient to maintain them in their old age.

Expenses High

Benefit expenses are high, including premiums paid to insure against bad weather.

The Compton benefit match against Sussex was insured for £2,000. Officials who organise the fund are unpaid volunteers, and there is no professional promoter.

Arrangements for the Compton benefit are typical of the carefree nature of this cavalier of cricket. He was boarding the boat train for South Africa when Mr. Robins, the Middlesex secretary, asked him (not for the first time) what arrangements he had made for his benefit.

Compton admitted that he'd done nothing and asked his old captain whether he could leave it to him. Robins agreed and asked Mr. Crowley, a Harrow schoolmaster, to take on the job.

Once the benefit season begins a player works hard for his money with personal appearances at social events and numerous club games in the county.

With ordinary home and away matches and, in Compton's case, Test matches, a player's wife sees little of her husband during benefit season.

There are no hard and fast rules about benefits, so that comparisons are both difficult and odious.

In addition to the entrance-fee takings, Washbrook received the stand admission money, Compton netted only the 1s. 6d. admission charge, because that is the custom of the club and precedents are difficult to change.

Up Since War

But there is no doubt that the size of benefits has increased along with the general cost of living.

Before the war £2,000 to £3,000 was an average benefit. Since the war purses of £7,000 and £8,000 are quite normal. Some benefit funds close at the end of the season; others continue to Christmas.

Professionals are grateful for this voluntary tribute to the enjoyment they have given the crowds over the years. But many would much prefer a less hazardous way of securing a pension.

They point out that they are so largely dependent on the weather and the whims of the public.

In search of security Hampshire professionals have pooled their benefits, thus sharing three matches played in 1948, 1949, and 1950.

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